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ABOUT ❋ CLOTHING.

Oh, Mr. Race,
Why did you place
This jar in the window there
For some one to bust
And pocket the dust,
Then leave it empty and bare

Did you know there were thieves
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Who were watching the window's bright glare
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That glittering gold
Were those who did not easily scare

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And the money is in there to wit
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TRAGEDY IN PARIS.

A Fiend Throws a Bomb and Kills Twenty Deputies of France.

SPECIAL TO THE REPUBLICAN]

CHICAGO, Dec 9—A cablegram states that at Paris this morning an unknown fiend in human form threw a bomb into the Chamber of Deputies, the explosion of the death dealing instrument killing twenty people and dangerously injuring many others The wildest excitement prevails Numerous arrests have been made

WILL BE OPEN MONDAY

The Charity Depot of Supplies About Ready for Business.

Last evening L L Burrows stated that the charity supply depot in the Kanan building, on West Main street, would be open next Monday The room will be in charge of a gentleman and ladies, and the distribution of clothing and food will be done in a systematic manner A set of books will be provided, and proper entries will be made to guard against impositions The depot will be supplied with potatoes, flour, hominy beans, meal, vegetables, etc , bought at wholesale, and people who deserve help will be promptly relieved, regardless of politics, religion or color Mr Burrows states that the line will be drawn at no point of isms He said, "I am a crank on that point, and I don't care who the people may be, if they are in need of aid they will get help at once" This is the proper spirit and it will guide Mr Burrows and all of his assistants in the noble work of charity The fund is swelling every day The means are ample for the present but we have a hard winter before us More donations to the fund will be thankfully received

Mr Burrows met the concert fund committee yesterday afternoon The conference was had to reach an agreement as to a plan of organization Mr Burrows stated his plan of the distribution of the money which had come into his possession, and also outlined what he had done for the present season He retired and later a resolution was adopted asking Mr Burrows and R S Bobon to call a meeting for Monday night to effect an organization The idea is to unite both funds for distribution

Left it to a Committee

A meeting of tax payers of Mt Zion township was held in the public hall at Mt Zion yesterday in order that an expression might be had on making an appropriation for the state fair, in case the show is located permanently at Decatur Supervisor D O Davidson presided The meeting was not wildly enthusiastic for an appropriation, but the sentiment of the heaviest tax payers was favorable for the proposition Finally the whole matter was left with a committee—Supervisor Davidson, Geo B Spitler W H Wallace, E B Scott, and C M Fletcher. It is known that Mr Fletcher and Mr Spitler are decidedly in favor of doing everything possible to secure the fair

Paul Hull

Invitations have been issued by Mr and Mrs L B Day, of Brimfield Ill for the marriage of their daughter Minnie to Paul Hull of this city, Wednesday December 20th The young couple will be at home after February 1st, 1894 at 909 Walnut street Chicago —*Chicago Herald*

Mr Hull is the gilt story telling newspaper correspondent widely known throughout the state He has frequently visited Decatur, and once told a big yarn in the Chicago *Herald* about [illegible]

Story of the Tax Books

[illegible]

Raised Nearly $500

Mrs Badley, wife of the late Dr Badley who was for many years a missionary of the Methodist Church in India, arrived in the city last night from Warrensburg She is a guest of Rev. C G Wood and family Monday she will leave for St Louis Mrs. Badley, who is a very entertaining lecturer, has visited all of the principal towns in the Decatur district and has raised $470 for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Elder C Galeener and the officers of the society are highly pleased with the lady's work in the cause of missions

HOME FROM THE HANGING

Deputy Sheriff John Perl Did Not Care to Witness the Execution

In last evening's REPUBLICAN was given a general statement of the hanging of Harvey Pate and Frank Stiers at Danville for the murder of Farmer Henry Helmick Deputy Sheriff John Perl represented Decatur at the execution, but after he got there he concluded that he did not want to see the two young men hurled into eternity He had seen a man executed in the Decatur jail. That was enough for him. John came home this morning He stated that Danville was crowded with visitors all day, and that all of the trains were loaded. A big crowd gathered about the jail, and when the drop fell, steam whistles blew shrilly to inform the people of the town that the crime had been expiated The mother of Stiers was coming down the stairway at her home when the whistles blew She fainted and as she fell she was caught by her son who was at her side

DETAILS OF THE EXECUTION

At 12 30 the sheriff commenced admitting the witnesses to the execution of whom there were about 200, and the outer door of the jail was closed As soon as the spectators had taken position about the stairs the sheriff with two deputies entered the cell for the purpose of reading the death warrant When Sheriff Newlon commenced reading the death warrant Pate and Stires walked up and stood one upon each side of him When he had concluded they said they were glad the time was so near at hand and they would be with the blessed Savior

After they had shaken hands with the ministers the march to the scaffold began. First came the sheriff, then the Revs Whitlock and Shields, and Pate and Stires following Deputy Phillips had the arm of Pate and Deputy Snyder that of Stires As they were about to step upon the scaffold Pate stopped and shook hands with Deputy Oleby and said "I want to meet you in the other world" Upon the scaffold they were placed back to back, one foot resting upon each of the double doors to the drops which were to separate and fall downward when the rope was cut Sheriff Newlon asked Pate if he had anything to say His reply was "I am sorry I committed the crime I did I am at peace with my Maker and I hope my execution will be a warning to all boys of my age" Stires also said he was sorry for the deed, that he had received forgiveness and would soon be with the blessed Master They might hang his body, but they could not hang his soul The Rev Whitlock read a passage of scripture and the Rev Shields offered up a brief prayer. The robes and black caps were adjusted and after the Rev Whitlock had cautioned them to let their last moments be of prayer, the song "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was started

DROPPED THROUGH THE TRAPS

The first line had not been completed when the Sheriff severed the rope holding the trap doors with a sharp broadax. The doors flew apart, the black robed figures shot downward for six feet and then swung and bumped together until they were steadied by the spectators below In twenty four minutes after the drop the physicians announced that both were dead and the bodies were lowered into coffins The crowd around the jail was so dense that a squad of police had to clear a passage to the hearse and wagon in waiting Pate's body was placed in a wagon and taken to the home of his father at Glenburn, seven miles northwest of the city, where the funeral will take place Sunday afternoon Stires was taken to the home of his mother on Chestnut street, where the funeral services will be held Sunday forenoon, and he will be buried near Catlin It was anticipated by some that the boys would make a confession upon the scaffold of some grave crimes in which they had participated but this was not realized

SOCIETY MEETINGS

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Special meeting of M[illegible] Lodge No [illegible] A F & A M this Saturday evening at [illegible] o'clock Work [illegible] First degree

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Ladies fine embroidered Swiss handkerchiefs, worth 35c and 40c, now 25c

[illegible] Japanese Silk handkerchiefs, hemstitched and embroid[illegible] worth [illegible] and 20c, now 12 1-2c

[illegible] Japanese [illegible] handkerchiefs [illegible] embroidered and re-[illegible] worth [illegible] 50c

[illegible] handkerchief, plain and printed [illegible] 15c now 10c

[illegible] Irish [illegible] handkerchiefs worth 18 now 12 1 4c

Gent's Irish [illegible] handkerchiefs worth 20c, now 15c

Gent's un[illegible] Irish [illegible] handkerchiefs, worth 25c, now 15c

Gent's Irish Linen [illegible] handkerchiefs, worth 30c, now 20c

Gent's Irish linen embroidered initial handkerchiefs, worth 35c, now 25

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SATURDAY EVE., DEC. 9, 1893.

THE Torrey bankruptcy bill was killed in the house yesterday. The enacting words were stricken out.

THE sub-committee of the committee on banking and currency has reported to the full committee a bill to let loose wild-cat currency.

THE committee on ways and means has changed the tin-plate schedule from advalorum, as first agreed on, to specific duty, fixing the rate at one and one-fifth cents a pound. This is a reduction of one cent a pound from the McKinley act.

ONE of the murders hung at Danville yesterday went on the scaffold singing "Nearer My God to Thee." To we common mortals this has an air of blasphemy about it when we consider the crime for which he was convicted and the method by which he was about to be ushered into the presence of God.

THE senate does not seem to be disposed to wait until Mr. Cleveland finds it convenient to transmit to it his message touching Hawaiian affairs. The senate wants the facts at once. They evidently propose that the conducting of our state affairs on the ward bummer plan ought to be stopped before the nation is further disgraced.

THE latest chapter to the history of the restoring of Queen Lil is that when Minister Willis conveyed to her the information that President Cleveland proposed to restore her, she wanted to know whether the government of the United States would support her on her throne after she got it. This promise Mr. Willis was not able to make, as he had no orders concerning that feature of the case, as it had not occurred to the brilliant statesmen who have charge of our affairs; hence the hitch in the restoration fiasco. Queen Lil might as well give up her claim if she expects the present administration to support her authority, for it so happens that Cleveland and Gresham are making a signal failure in their effort to sustain themselves.

MAYOR SWIFT discovered that Superintendent Joseph Schwab, of the department of water pipe extension, had taken on the pay roll a lot of men who were set to work to boom Hopkins for mayor and had discharged a lot of men who refused to draw pay from the city ostensibly for work on water pipes, while in fact they were working ward politics. The discharged men reported the matter to the mayor, who at once called Schwab in, who refused to deny the charges, whereupon Mr. Swift peremptorily dismissed him and discharged the men employed by Schwab for the purpose stated and restored the men Schwab had discharged. The mayor also discovered that one of Schwab's men, while canvasing for Hopkins, had robbed a house, and another one had frightened a woman so badly that she is now seriously ill. The people can depend upon this: There will be no robbery of the city's funds so long as Geo. B. Swift is mayor. He ought to be elected at the special election.

The President on Hawaii.

In his message the President says, in introducing the Hawaiian matter: "This treaty I withdrew for examination, and dispatched the Hon. James H. Blount to Honolulu as a special commissioner to make an impartial investigation," etc. And further along he says: "After a thorough and exhaustive examination Mr. Blount submitted to me his report, showing beyond all question that the constitutional government of Hawaii had been subverted with the active aid of our representative to that government, and through the intimidation caused by the presence of an armed naval force which was landed for that purpose," etc.

Here are two very remarkable statements. It seems quite strange that if the president withdrew from the senate the treaty entered into by the Hawaiian administration, for examination, that he does not report in that message the result of that examination. The provisional government of Hawaii existed when that treaty was submitted, and it exists yet. It was recognized by all the civilized nations as a government, and was so recognized by Cleveland when he sent not "a," but "my," commissioner to Honolulu. That treaty only related to the annexation of the islands to the United States, and an examination could result in but one of two things—either a resubmission or a rejection. The president has done neither of these things, and the very plain inference is he did not withdraw it for the purpose of examining it, but did it in deference to the wishes of persons interested in the restoration of the queen. The statement that he withdrew it for examination was evidently made for the purpose of deceiving congress and the people.

What Mr. Cleveland started out to do was to find an excuse for restoring the queen, as the second branch of the message quoted above shows. He sent "My Commissioner" to make an investigation. That prodigal has returned, made his report and the president's machine to restore the queen has fallen to pieces, and the American people are kicking the remains about the streets, and by ways. In fact these conditions existed when the president submitted his message, and it was certainly a piece of great presumption on his part to speak of Blount's report as showing, "*beyond all question*," that this government aided in deposing the queen. Everybody who has spoken or written on the subject has torn Blount's report to pieces and there is more to follow. If Cleveland and Gresham are laying the unction to their souls that Blount's report proves anything "beyond all question," save that he went to Honolulu to set up a job on the American people in the interest of a dissolute queen, they are mistaked. Not only Mr. Blount's report but the motives of the administration, which prompted it, are in question, and the whole bunch of schemers will discover that fact sooner or later.

Now and Then.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN:—Below is the first part of a speech made by a Democrat in Macon county in October, 1892:

FELLOW-CITIZENS:—I am here to-night to discuss the political issues of the day. We have men of both parties before us. I am a Democrat, and of course will talk in the interest of the Democratic party—just as your Republican speakers will do when they make speeches. Then, the first thing that I wish to say is, that the Republican party has had control of this government a long time—so long that they have learned to rob the people of this nation. They are robbing the workingmen. Now what are the average wages paid the men of toil? Well, we will put it at from $1.50 to $2.50 a day—well we will say $2.00 a day is the average price; of course the skilled workman gets more than that. Well, now then, if Mr. Cleveland is elected, the average would be advanced to at least $3.00 a day for the common day laborer. Skilled workmen, of course, will get on an average from $4.00 to $6.00 a day. Now why this difference? Because the Republicans are robbing the laboring man of from 50 cents to $2.00 a day. Well, now, you see that will amount to a good deal in the course of one year.

But you say how are they doing this? Well your work is worth to the employer from $4 to $12 a day. So you see that they are not giving to the laboringman in proportion to what his work is worth to the employer.

It is just so with the farmers. The farmer is getting for his wheat 50 to 65 cents per bushel, for their corn 40 to 45 cents and oats 30 to 35 cents. Now if Mr. Cleveland is elected and the laboringman's wages are increased from 50 cents to $2.00 a day, the farmer will get $1 a bushel for his wheat and 50 to 60 cents for his corn and 35 to 40 cents a bushel for his oats. Then the speaker went on to discuss the tariff and the state bank issue, to show how everybody was robbed by these systems.

Now let the reader compare the prices of grain now and then. Compare wages now and then. Compare the times now and then, and remember that speech was made only a year ago, at a time when the country was enjoying the greatest prosperity it ever knew. The demagogues sowed tares in the ground of prosperity. They dissatisfied many people with their condition and caused many to raise their hands against their benefactors. What is the result? Labor is prostrated and the campaigners hold the offices.

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THERE is talk to the effect that the Queen Lil 'Possum club will give another feast in January or on ground hog day.

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SHOOTING match for turkeys at the Powers' pasture west of the St. Louis bridge on Dec 13th. Trap and still targets will be used.

CALL at Davidson & Eyman's and get a basket of Concord grapes for 25 cents. 156 South Main street or telephone 412 25-dtf

IN the circuit court at Sullivan the case of John Watwood, indicted for assault with intent to kill and murder, was continued until the next term of court.

PROF. CURT TOLL and Miss Maude Shlaudeman, led the grand march last night at the social hop given by the Young Men's Pleasure Club at the academy hall in the Wikoff building. Johnson's orchestra furnished the music.

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PIERCE IS INDICTED.

Former President of the I., D. & S. Road in Trouble.

This is a copy of a recent telegram from Indianapolis which concerns a former president of the I., D. & S. railroad company:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Dec. 8.—R. B. F. Pierce, one of the best known business men in this city and well known in this and other states as a railroad attorney, has been indicted by the federal grand jury in connection with the failure of the Indianapolis National Bank. Pierce is a director in the bank and has been more or less intimately connected with its management, having been one of the two resident directors and having signed reports to the comptroller of the currency regarding the bank's status. The indictment charges him in one count with making false and fraudulent reports of the condition of the bank and with falsely swearing to the same, and in another with having conspired with Haughey to violate the law by borrowing from the bank more than 10 per cent of its capital stock as president of the National Headlight company. Pierce has long been prominent in this state as a capitalist and railroad attorney. He was once president of the Indianapolis, Decatur and Springfield Railroad, in which he owned a large amount of stock, and is now one of the trustees of the mortgage bondholders of that road. He was elected to congress from this district a number of years ago and has been prominent in political circles for many years.

Attorney Pierce claims to have sunk over $80,000 in the defunct bank.

Owen Scott on Masonry.

In a recent address on Masonry, delivered by Owen Scott, ex-congressman, he spoke of the time in 1843 when the order took root in Bloomington, Peoria and Decatur, when there were no railroads and when traveling was difficult. He said: "Amidst these primitive surroundings Masonry took root sure and deep. There are 802 lodges in the state and a membership of nearly 50,000. No one knew where or who originated Masonry, and no one cares. It has lived through ages and it will stand forever. It teaches our duty to men, as religion teaches duty to God. It is not a religion or a church. Faith will not do, truth will not do, but charity and the precepts it teaches is what has sustained No. 29 for 50 years. Such principles make better citizens, loyal to flag and family. These principles, woven into the fibre of the human family, are what make the world better."

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RUSSELL'S RESIGNATION.

The Bank Cashier Admits His Decatur Speech Was Responsible for It.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The cause of the resignation of John Caro Russell, cashier of the National Bank of the Republic, on the 1st of December, has been the subject of much comment. The resignation was the result of Mr. Russell's speech on Nov. 14, at Decatur, Ill. Mr. Russell, when seen to-day about the resignation, said: "Mr. Bullen and myself have not gotten along very well for some time, his methods of doing business not coinciding with mine. The Decatur speech I stand by, and it was made the pretext for asking for my resignation, which I gave. I was forced out of the bank as the president and myself could not agree. I am at present organizing a company to be known as the Commercial Note Brokerage Co. I was misquoted somewhat in the Decatur speech and have 10,000 copies of the correct speech printed which I have sent out all over the country."

Mr. Bullen, when seen, said that he was sorry that Mr. Russell felt as he did. Mr. Russell, he said, carried with him the very best wishes of the bank and of every member of the board of directors, all of whom desired his success in his new enterprise. He said further that if he ever had an opportunity personally to do Mr. Russell a favor he would do so, as he had nothing but the kindest feeling toward him.

Ezra Kendall To-Night.

Ezra Kendall's new play, "The Substitute," which is to be the attraction at the opera house to-night, is styled a comedy-drama, and in its course adheres to this order of presentation—comedy at the opening and drama in its closing scenes. Mr. Kendall has appeared so long as a laugh-maker that in constructing the new vehicle for his peculiar style of country character, incidents, situations and climaxes are so arranged as to give prominence to the comedy element, the latter being contributed to by such favorites as Arthur Dunn and his sister, Miss Jennie Dunn, John Hart and other well-known comedians.

Presbyterian Supper.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will give their annual social and supper in the church parlors on Thursday, Dec. 14th. Supper from 5 to 8 p. m.

Oysters and ice cream will be served during the evening. Mrs. A. L. Hill's superior candies will be for sale. Supper 25 cents. Admission free. 9-dtd

Ladies Look Here.

W. F. Busher will close out his extra stock of Harry Grays, Hand Turned, Plain Toe $5 and $6 Shoes for $3. Also a Ladies Hand Turned $3.50 shoe for $2. This is a Bargain. All sizes and widths. W. F. BUSHER, 152 East Main street. nov22-dt

Chas. T. Johnston

DECATUR, ILL.

151 North Water Street.

We will put on sale Monday, and every day till sold, the entire balance of the great stock of the Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Umbrellas, &c., lately purchased from

WATSON & MOLL, ON EAST MAIN ST.

We purchased the entire full stock of goods, (show cases, fixtures and all), consisting of an elegant stock of Men's Silk, Soft and Stiff Hats, Umbrellas, White Shirts, Work Shirts, Flannel Shirts, Cardigan Jackets Underwear, (wool and cotton), Hosiery (wool and cotton), Suspenders, Night Robes, Gloves of all kinds, and the largest and most select stock of Neckwear ever shown in Decatur.

As it is well known that Watson & Moll carried the finest and latest style stock of everything nice in the way of Furnishing Goods, you can readily see that we have something unusual to offer you in the way of goods, at about 50c on the dollar of their value.

Remember, you can select any goods for HOLIDAY GIFTS and pay part or all down on them, and we will lay them away for you. Read every line of the below bargains, as you will find everything just as advertised, and let you pay on them as you like, or call for them at any time.

Men's Neckwear.

An elegant stock to select from at less than 50c on the dollar of value.

Men's 35c ties at 15c.
Men's 50 and 75c ties at 39c.
Men's 90c and $1.25 ties at 69c.
Men's Party or Full Dress Bows at 10, 15 and 20c.

Men's Collars and Cuffs.

Elegant stock to buy.

Earl & Wilson (E & W) Collars, value 25c, at 14c.
Coon Brand Collars, sold at 20c, now 12½c.
15c Collars all cut to 10c in this sale.

Cuffs.

All kinds on sale.

25c Cuffs cut to 15c
40c Cuffs cut to 25c
Lot of Link Cuffs to close at less than value.
Reversible Linene Cuffs and Collars at 18c box, sold always at 25c.

Shirts.

See our line—complete in everything.

Men's 65c Unlaundried White Shirts, at 39c.
Men's 75c and $1.00 Unlaundried White Shirts at 43c.
Men's $1.25 and $1.50 White Laundried Shirts, at 89c.
Men's Full Dress $2.50 White Shirts, at $1.48.
Men's Flannel and Cheviot Shirts, value 60, 65, 75c, cut to 39c in this sale.
Lot of Men's Wool Shirts, at 98, $1.25, $1.39.

Duck Coats.

25 Brown Duck Coats, value $1.75, at 98c.
20 Black Duck Coats, value $2.50, at $1.48.

Cardigan Knit Jackets.

One lot Knit Jackets, to close, at $1.00, $1.48, $1.69, $2.48. See them.

Underwear.

Men's $1.00 and $1.25 Scarlet All-Wool Shirts and Drawers.
Men's Natural Grey Wool Shirts, sold usually at $1.00, at 69c each.
Wright's Fleeced Sanitary Underwear, value $1.25 at 89c a garment.
Men's Natural Grey Merino Underwear, value 75c, at 43c

Hosiery.

Lot of Men's Socks to go cheap.
Men's 40c quality Black and Grey Wool Hose to go at 25c.
Men's 50 and 75c Fine Wool Socks to go at 39c.
Men's 40c quality Fast Black or Tan Cotton Hose, cut to 25c.
Men's 15c Heavy Cotton Socks, at 10c.
Men's 10c Heavy Cotton Socks, at 8c.
Men's 8c Heavy Cotton Socks, at 6c.

Boys' Suits.

One lot of Boys' Suits Clothing, sizes 4 to 14, knee pants suits, at $1.48, $2.50, $2.98 suit.
Odd Pants, (knee pants for boys), at 48, 69, 89c a pair, to close out.

Suspenders.

Lot of Men's Silk End 50c Suspenders, at 25c each pair.
See the elegant values we have to offer at 48, 69, 75, 98c.
One lot of $2.50 quality Satin Holiday Suspenders, cut to $1.39 to close them.

Hats.

An elegant stock to go in this sale.
Silk Hats, $6.50 quality, go at $4.00.
J. B. Stetson's celebrated $4.00 and $4.50 Soft Hats, on sale at $2.95.
$3.50 quality Soft or Stiff Hats, cut to $2.00
$2.50 quality Soft or Stiff Hats, cut to $1.50.
Lot of Wool Hats to close, at 50, 75, 98c.

Caps.

Men's elegant Silk Plush Caps, go at $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, worth $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50
Scotch Caps, value 75c, $1.00, $1.50, cut to 39c
Lot of Children's Hats and Caps, to go *cheap.*

Night Robes.

An elegant stock to select from.

75c goods, cut to 45c.
$1.00 goods, cut to 69c.
$1.50 goods, cut to 98c.
$2.50 goods, cut to $1.48.

Gloves.

All kinds of Men's Gloves to go cheap.

Men's Lined Gloves.
Men's Work Gloves.
Men's Driving Gloves
Men's Dress Gloves.

Umbrellas.

About 500 elegant Umbrellas to be sold regardless of value, as we have too many.

69c will buy a good heavy Storm Umbrella.
98c will buy a splendid Large Umbrella, value $1.50.
See the Silk Umbrellas, at $1.25, $1.39, $1.50, $1.75, $1.98, $2.50, $2.98, $3.50.

Canes.

A lot of Men's Canes to close out.

Trunks.

One large $13.00 Trunk, cut to $6.90.
Other Trunks, at $2.95, $3.25 to $5.90, to go in this sale.

Valises and Grips.

An elegant stock, to close out.

Prices range from 69, 75, 98c, $1.25, $1.39, $1.48 to $3.95. See them.

Handkerchiefs.

Nice lot to close.

10c Oil-Red Handkerchiefs, at 5c.
Lot 15c Handkerchiefs to go at 7c.
Lot of 25c Handkerchiefs, to go at 15c.
Silk Mufflers and Silk Handkerchiefs to go cheap in this sale

Jewelry.

Lot of Men's Cuff Buttons, Studs, Tie Pins and other Jewelry, to go cheap.

GREAT CLOAK SALE. As this is the season that people want to buy their Cloaks, and as we are overstocked on Nice Garments, we have decided to give the people the benefit of our reductions before the Holidays, so we will commence on Monday and continue through till January first a Grand Clearance Sale in this Department, which will be a saving of thousands of dollars to the people who will want to purchase Cloaks, in Decatur and vicinity. Come in and we will surely convince you that it will be money saved to buy your Cloaks at our store. Children's Cloaks included in this sale.

N. B.—We will lay away any Cloaks for any one by their paying part down on them.

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DENZ & SON, tailors.

POULTRY powder at Irwin's.

FOUNTAIN PENS at Dawson's book store.

TRY Irwin's perfect tooth powder.

FLYpaper at Dawson's drug store.

COAL dealers say business is rushing.

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SMOKE the old reliable K. & W. cigars. mar25dtf

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WE guarantee Monarch mixed paints equal to any paint in the city. At Dawson's, successor to Swearingen.

Shellabarger's
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JOHN YOUNG, at the REPUBLICAN office, is the Decatur agent for the Remington typewriter. Call for catalogues and prices dtf

PEAKE & SON realize this holiday that in buying silver novelties you will want something in the inexpensive line. We have got them in great abundance, and prices are right. dec9-d1w

WHEN children are nervous, irritable or restless at night, Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer will ward off spasms or other serious nerve disease. Free samples, $1 bottles of C. H. Dawson.

THE largest and finest line of skates to select from can be found at the H. Mueller Gun company at 134 East Prairie street. 1-dtf

THOSE elegant Haines Upright pianos are on sale in Decatur only at the C. B. Prescott music house on North Water street.

IT'S not the large stock of Diamonds, or the extra large variety that sells them always—it's the price some times. Go to Peake & Son and be convinced. 9-d1w

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ALL who wish their buggies repaired and painted, touched up, varnished and put in order, can have them stored through the winter free of charge. A. Kramer 258 and 260 East Main street. 8-31w.

FOR pity's sake, don't growl and grumble because you are troubled with indigestion. No good was ever effected by snarling and fretting. Be a man, (unless you happen to be a woman), and take Ayer's Sarsapilla, which will relieve you, whether man or woman.

M. M. SMITH, 551 W. Main street, and Mrs. L. H. Pollard, 635 W. Wood street, have been the first persons to complete the use of a co-operative purchasing book issued by the B. & M. B. B. and received each their four dollars premiums promptly on presentation of books and stubs at the office. nov17dtf

THE Equal Suffrage Association met yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Brodess, on North College street The following ladies were elected delegates to the state convention to be held at Danville the first of next year: Mrs. A. C. Fonik, Dr. Pierce-Collins, Mrs. I. K. Stafford; alternates, Mrs. Mary L. Haworth and Mrs. S. A. Underwood. The balance due on the state pledge, amounting to $15, with what was in the treasury, was nearly all pledged. The lesson on the distribution of power of the state constitution was taken up and proved to be a very interesting topic. The meetings of the society are rapidly growing in interest.

THE ladies' central committee met yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. rooms and elected officers as follows: Chairman, Miss Gertrude Morrison; vice chairman, Mrs. N. W. Woodford; secretary, Miss Clara Stare; treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Saxton. A number of committees were appointed to make arrangements for different lines of work the ladies will take up. One was for the New Year's reception, which is to be made quite elaborate.

THE famous A. M. Palmer home stock company direct from New York will appear at the Grand on the night of Dec. 14th. The New York *Herald* stated that this company is the most powerful dramatic organization on the road. It ought to be greeted by an audience that will test the capacity of the house. The play will be "Alabama," by Augustus Thomas, with the original cast.

THE seven miles of track of the P. D. & E. between Hervey City and the I. C. junction, over which the Vandalia trains run, has been condemned by the Railroad and Warehouse Commission, and trains passing over same must not run to exceed six miles an hour. If the P. D. & E. fails to repair it in a given time, it will probably be sold to the Vandalia.

THE ladies of the First M. E. church received about $300 by the public dinner, supper and sale at the church Thursday evening and Friday. The ladies are very thankful to the people for their liberal patronage.

IN Justice Provost's court last evening Claude Lindburg, for disorderly conduct, was fined $3 and costs. He had stolen a sack of coal from M. F. Metz. He is in jail in default of payment of fine.

YOU should, by all means, see Peake & Son's show window, the nobbiest in the city. We mark our goods right in plain figures, and if you are looking for prices see our show window. dec7-d1w

EXTENSIVE preparations are being made for Christmas at the English Lutheran church. The collection will go toward the city charity fund.

TYLER'S Opera House Pharmacy received the finest lot of "Sparrow's" Candy, Boston, ever brought to the city. 40, 65, 75c pound. 18-tf

WILLIAM BEALL, William W. Kyle and George M. Robinson are the trustees of the Congregational church at Warrensburg.

MONDAY evening the farmers of Oakley township will hold a meeting to secure an expression on the state fair question.

THE date for the Poverty Ball at the Leonard hall is fixed for January 8th. Mrs. Robert Leforgee will be in charge.

THE funeral of the late Steve Hubert will take place Sunday, Dember 10, at 2 p. m., from the family residence.

IN the county court next Wednesday Lizzie Peel, wife of Charles S. Peel, will be tried for insanity.

A Dance.

The Young Men's Pleasure club, composed largely of members of the Turners' society, gave their first ball last evening at Sedgwick's hall on North Park street. The dance began at about 9 o'clock and lasted till nearly one o'clock. Music was furnished by Johnson's orchestra. The grand march was led by Prof. Burt Toll and Miss Maude Shlaudeman. The committee on arrangements were Albert Ruebsamen, Paul Grubel, Will Denz, Frank Plumer and Walt Wamsley. Among those present were Misses Earlie Blank, Amelia Abel, Sophia Hambrecht, Annie Plumer Lena Plumer, May Grindol, Clara Harkness, Miss Handel, Rosa Kern, Cora James, Emma Abel, Anna Stern, Katie Higman, Miss Zurisellier, Ida Weigand, Pauline Reinstorf, Minnie and Lena Myers, Maud and Jessie Felton, and Paul Grubel, Curt Toll, Albert Ruebsamen, Carl Walters, Will Graham, Chas. Butzbach, George and Will Cusick, Geo. Lichtenberger, Gus Liberwite, Will Campbell, Will Hambrecht, Will Denz, Frank Plumer, Walt Wamsley, Ralph Shively, Charles Clark, Walter Martin, Will McGorray and Louis Buchert.

Lady Windermere's Fan.

The drawing room atmosphere of "Lady Windermere's Fan," which is to be seen in this city, Wednesday evening, Dec. 13, is greatly appreciated by the better element of theatre-goers. The third act in which Lord Windermere, Lord Darlington and a number of men are sitting around in Darlington's rooms, sipping brandy and smoking cigarettes, while firing off rockets of wit and epigrams, makes as enjoyable twenty minutes as could be put into the play. Miss Virginia Harned gives an admirable performance of Mrs. Erlynne, the woman with a past, who believes her heart to be dead but finds it only asleep. Miss Evelyn Campbell is also very effective as Lady Windermere. Both women dress gorgeously and their toilets create a sensation among the feminine contingent of theatre-goers. The other members of Charles Frohman's company are actors of recognized ability.

DEATH OF STEPHEN HUBERT.

A Former City Alderman Called Away Last Evening.

Ex-Ald. Steve Hubert, who has been in poor health for a number of years, died last evening at 5:30 o'clock at his home, 965 North Edward street. He had been confined to home for a week, and realized when he went home from business that he could last but a short time. Ten or fifteen minutes before he died he said: "It is all right," meaning that he knew death was near and that he was not afraid to go. Mr. Hubert was a cigar maker, and a member of Cigarmakers' Union No. 20. He came to Decatur in 1882 and worked for Quinn & Beeforth until 1889 when he and L. W. Fribourg opened a store on Water street, afterward taking possession of the Pratt & Co. building at the corner of Prairie Avenue and North Main street. Owing to failing health Mr. Hubert sold his interest in the business to Mr. Fribourg and went south where he remained a year. Since his return he opened a store in Central Block, and gave it his personal attention until a week ago. Deceased leaves a widow and two children. His parents reside at Troy, New York, and are in good circumstances. He has a married sister in New York state. He was a member of Modern Woodmen Lodge, 144, and had a thousand dollar life insurance policy in that organization, besides $350 in the cigarmakers union branch

Mr Hubert has represented the Seventh Ward in the city council. He performed his duties fearlessly and conscientiously. Steve had hosts of personal friends in business and lodge circles, who recognized his good qualities as a citizen of integrity and a man who in the main was guided by right principles.

Funeral Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence.

New Officers.

The following officers were chosen last evening at the meeting of the High School Literary Society: President E. B. Lytle; vice-president, Nathan Bourne; secretary, Arthur Davis; treasurer, Warren Durfee; marshal, Robert Vail. It was decided to have an open meeting in two weeks. Nathan Bourne, Fred Cassell and Fred Depew were appointed a program committee. The program for the evening was a reading by Wayne Williams and a debate on the question: "*Resolved*, That Mr. Cleveland is justifiable in his course in Hawaiian affairs." The affirmative was sustained by Will Fitzpatrick and Fred Cassell, the negative by Warren Durfee and Nathan Bourne. The judges were Frank Dawson, Charlie Bumstead and Herbert Corman. They decided in favor of the negative.

A Change.

The directory of the Decatur Club has changed the ladies night from the third Thursday evening in each month to the Second Thursday, in order to accommodate club members who attend the Commandery meetings on the third Thursday night. Next Thursday night will be Ladies' Night at the club. The receptions are always occasions of rare pleasure and no doubt there will be a large attendance

Interment of Lillian Hunter.

D. A. Hunter, the Decatur electrician, has returned from Albany, New York, where on last Tuesday occurred the funeral of his daughter, Lillian Hunter, aged 20 years, who died of typhoid fever at Artigo, Wis., on Thanksgiving Day. Mr. Hunter was with his daughter three days before she died. Now Mr. Hunter is alone in the world, his wife and daughter having passed away.

Luncheon

Mrs. Albert Barnes entertained Mesdames Will Barnes, F. J. Sedgwick, G D. Thomas, Charles Ewing, Chas. Moore, D. A. Moffit, George Powers, Charles Reynolds, L. L. Race and Misses Maud Burrows, Ida Jones, Jennie Rogers and Belle Ewing, yesterday at 1 o'clock luncheon. It was in honor of Miss Ida Jones, who will soon become the wife of Charles Hartsell, of Denver.

Modern Woodmen.

All members of Decatur Camp 144, M. W. of A., are requested to meet at their hall on Sunday, December 10th, at 1 o'clock sharp, to attend the funeral of our late Neighbor Steve Hubert. All members of our sister Camp, No. 1626, are invited to meet with us.

G. W. ROBERTS, V. C.
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At Out Prices.

Furniture makes the most useful Christmas present. Come and look at my new stock of goods, which I will sell at the lowest prices possible. I am determined to close out the stock. I can and will save you money. Haworth Block, north side New Square.

dec5d&w3w JOHN A. BROWN.

Five Piece Tea Sets.

Our 5-piece tea sets are put up in two different contributions, namely: one tea pot, sugar, cream, spoon-holder and butter dish. Our regular 5-piece tea set consists of tea pot, coffee pot, sugar, cream and spoon-holder. Come and look at them E. D. BARTHOLOMEW.

The City Bakery.

F. W. Werning is now at his old place, 517 North Morgan street, where can be had the largest and best loaf of bread for five cents in the city. Also cakes and pies. nov11-d1m

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OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF

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Furnishes satisfactory answers to the perplexing questions. Our thousand and one different articles to offer.

Bring list with you and you can make Holiday Shopping easy. Pick some one article from the following for each one of your family, also your friends.

For Mother.

Underskirt, gloves, facinator, handkerchiefs, perfumery, linens, blankets, dress goods, silk dress, cloak, shawl, &c.

For Father.

Umbrella, gloves, office jacket, tie, shirts, hose, underwear, collar box, cuff box, muffler, &c.

For Sister

Fur cape, fur boa, fur muff, fur set, gloves, handkerchiefs, manicure set, toilet set, perfumery, lace collarettes, fancy handled umbrella, &c.

For Brother.

Muffler, umbrella, hosiery, smoking jacket, tie, white dress shirts, suspenders, cuff box, collar box, gloves, toilet boxes, &c.

Thousands and thousands of small articles, such as Fancy Baskets Stamped Linens, Table Linens, Table Covers, Work Baskets, all kinds of articles for Infants, Worsted Jackets, Long Slips, Puff Boxes, Fur Carriage Robes, Carpet Sweepers, Ladies', Misses' and Children's Leggings in Jersey, Cloth and Leather, black and colors.

Furs.

Electric Seal Capes, worth $17.50, at $10.00.
Baltic Seal Capes, 27 inches long, $25.00.
French Seal Sacques, $85 00.
Monkey Capes, 32 inches long, $65.00, worth $100 00.
Neck Boas, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00 up to $10.00.
Muffs, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00 up to $20,00 each.
Children's Fur Sets, muff and boa, $1.98 set.

Handkerchiefs.

3,000 doz. Ladies' and Men's Silk, Linen and Cotton Handkerchiefs.
Cotton, 3c, 5c, 7c, 9c, 10c, 12½c and 15c.
Silk, 12½c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 49c and 50c.
Linen, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c and 75c.
Mufflers, 75c, $1,00, $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00.

Ladies' Suits.

175 Ladies' Ready-made Suits, sizes a little broken, so we have decided to take the different lots and make one price.

All our ready-made suits that we sold for $10.00, $12.50, $14.00 and $15.00, we will close them out at $9.00 a suit. This is cheaper than you can have a dress made, for all our suits are perfect fitting.

Ladies' Cloaks.

GREAT REDUCTION.

Worth	$ 5 00—	$ 3.50.
Worth	6 50	4.50.
Worth	7 50	4.75.
Worth	10 00	6.00.
Worth	12.50	7.00.
Worth	13 50	8.00
Worth	15.00	9.00.
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Worth	25.00	15 00
Worth	28.00	18.00.

5,000 Dress Patterns.

Each pattern contains enough material for a full dress.

2,000 pairs Dress Robes we will offer from $4.00 to $25.00 for a full dress pattern.

1,000 American Dress Robes, $2,00 to $18 00 for full dress pattern.

1,000 Printed Puritan and Windsor Cotton Cloth, 65c to $1.50 for full dress pattern.

Misses and Children's Cloaks, $2 50, $3 00, $3.50, $4.00, $5.00 and $6.00.

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Which is loaded down with all kinds of Christmas Presents

18,000 Christmas Cards at 1c each.
Pin Trays 20c, Autograph Albums 5c
Toilet Sets, Mirrors.
Comb and Brush, 49c.
Fancy Basket, 35c. Manicure Sets, 75c.
Japanese Cups and Saucers, 10c.
Japanese Sugars and Creamers, 49c
Japanese Vases, 75c.
1,000 Silk Umbrellas, in 26-inch and 28-inch, plain and fancy handles, holiday prices, 88c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, $2 50, $3.00, $3.50, $4 00 and $5.00. Name engraved on umbrella free of charge.

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M. M. SMITH, 551 W. Main street, and Mrs. L. H. Pollard, 635 W. Wood street, have been the first persons to complete the use of a co-operative purchasing book issued by the B. & M. B. B. and received each their four dollars premiums promptly on presentation of books and stubs at the office. nov17dtf

THE Equal Suffrage Association met yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Brodess, on North College street The following ladies were elected delegates to the state convention to be held at Danville the first of next year: Mrs. A. C. Foulk, Dr. Pierce-Collins, Mrs. I. K. Stafford; alternates, Mrs. Mary L. Haworth and Mrs. S. A. Underwood. The balance due on the state pledge, amounting to $15, with what was in the treasury, was nearly all pledged. The lesson on the distribution of power of the state constitution was taken up and proved to be a very interesting topic. The meetings of the society are rapidly growing in interest.

THE ladies' central committee met yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. rooms and elected officers as follows: Chairman, Miss Gertrude Morrison; vice chairman, Mrs. N. W. Woodford; secretary, Miss Clara Stare; treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Saxton. A number of committees were appointed to make arrangements for different lines of work the ladies will take up. One was for the New Year's reception, which is to be made quite elaborate.

THE famous A. M. Palmer home stock company direct from New York will appear at the Grand on the night of Dec. 14th. The New York *Herald* stated that this company is the most powerful dramatic organization on the road. It ought to be greeted by an audience that will test the capacity of the house. The play will be "Alabama," by Augustus Thomas, with the original cast.

THE seven miles of track of the P. D. & E. between Hervey City and the I. C junction, over which the Vandalia trains run, has been condemned by the Railroad and Warehouse Commission, and trains passing over same must not run to exceed six miles an hour. If the P. D. & E. fails to repair it in a given time, it will probably be sold to the Vandalia.

THE ladies of the First M. E. church received about $300 by the public dinner, supper and sale at the church Thursday evening and Friday. The ladies are very thankful to the people for their liberal patronage.

IN Justice Provost's court last evening Claude Lindburg, for disorderly conduct, was fined $3 and costs. He had stolen a sack of coal from M. F. Metz He is in jail in default of payment of fine.

YOU should, by all means, see Peake & Son's show window, the nobbiest in the city. We mark our goods right in plain figures, and if you are looking for prices see our show window. dec7-d1w

EXTENSIVE preparations are being made for Christmas at the English Lutheran church. The collection will go toward the city charity fund.

TYLER'S Opera House Pharmacy received the finest lot of "Sparrow's" Candy, Boston, ever brought to the city. 40, 65, 75c pound. 18-tf

WILLIAM BEALL, William W. Kyle and George M. Robinson are the trustees of the Congregational church at Warrensburg.

MONDAY evening the farmers of Oakley township will hold a meeting to secure an expression on the state fair question.

THE date for the Poverty Ball at the Leonard hall is fixed for January 8th. Mrs. Robert Leforgee will be in charge.

THE funeral of the late Steve Hubert will take place Sunday, Damber 10, at 2 p. m., from the family residence.

IN the county court next Wednesday Lizzie Peel, wife of Charles S Peel, will be tried for insanity.

A Dance.

The Young Men's Pleasure club, composed largely of members of the Turners' society, gave their first ball last evening at Sedgwick's hall on North Park street. The dance began at about 9 o'clock and lasted till nearly one o'clock. Music was furnished by Johnson's orchestra. The grand march was led by Prof. Burt Toll and Miss Maude Shlaudeman. The committee on arrangements were Albert Ruebsamen, Paul Grubel, Will Denz, Frank Plumer and Walt Wamsley. Among those present were Misses Earlie Blank, Amelia Abel, Sophia Hambrecht, Annie Plumer, Lena Plumer, May Grindol, Clara Harkness, Miss Handel, Rosa Kern, Cora James, Emma Abel, Anna Stern, Katie Higman, Miss Zurseller, Ida Weigand, Pauline Reinstorf, Minnie and Lena Myers, Maud and Jessie Felton, and Paul Grubel, Curt Toll, Albert Ruebsamen, Carl Walters, Will Graham, Chas. Butzbach, George and Will Gusick, Geo. Lichtenberger, Gus Liberwite, Will Campbell, Will Hambrecht, Will Denz, Frank Plumer, Walt Wamsley, Ralph Shively, Charles Clark, Walter Martin, Will McGorray and Louie Buchert.

Lady Windermere's Fan.

The drawing room atmosphere of "Lady Windermere's Fan," which is to be seen in this city, Wednesday evening, Dec. 13, is greatly appreciated by the better element of theatre-goers. The third act in which Lord Windermere, Lord Darlington and a number of men are sitting around in Darlington's rooms, sipping brandy and smoking cigarettes, while firing off rockets of wit and epigrams, makes as enjoyable twenty minutes as could be put into the play. Miss Virginia Harned gives an admirable performance of Mrs. Erlynne, the woman with a past, who believes her heart to be dead but finds it only asleep Miss Evelyn Campbell is also very effective as Lady Windermere. Both women dress gorgeously and their toilets create a sensation among the feminine contingent of theatre-goers. The other members of Charles Frohman's company are actors of recognized ability.

DEATH OF STEPHEN HUBERT.

A Former City Alderman Called Away Last Evening

Ex Ald. Steve Hubert, who has been in poor health for a number of years, died last evening at 5:30 o'clock at his home. 965 North Edward street. He had been confined to home for a week, and realized when he went home from business that he could last but a short time. Ten or fifteen minutes before he died he said: "It is all right," meaning that he knew death was near and that he was not afraid to go. Mr. Hubert was a cigar maker, and a member of Cigarmakers' Union No. 20. He came to Decatur in 1882 and worked for Quinn & Seaforth until 1889 when he and L. W. Fribourg opened a store on Water street, afterward taking possession of the Pratt & Co. building at the corner of Prairie Avenue and North Main street. Owing to failing health Mr. Hubert sold his interest in the business to Mr. Fribourg and went south where he remained a year. Since his return he opened a store in Central Block, and gave it his personal attention until a week ago. Deceased leaves a widow and two children. His parents reside at Troy, New York, and are in good circumstances. He has a married sister in New York state. He was a member of Modern Woodmen Lodge, 144, and had a thousand dollar life insurance policy in that organization, besides $350 in the cigarmakers union branch.

Mr. Hubert has represented the Seventh Ward in the city council. He performed his duties fearlessly and conscientiously. Steve had hosts of personal friends in business and lodge circles, who recognized his good qualities as a citizen of integrity and a man who in the main was guided by right principles.

Funeral Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence.

New Officers.

The following officers were chosen last evening at the meeting of the High School Literary Society: President, E. B Lytle; vice-president, Nathan Bourne; secretary, Arthur Davis; treasurer, Warren Durfee; marshal, Robert Vail. It was decided to have an open meeting in two weeks. Nathan Bourne, Fred Cassell and Fred Depew were appointed a program committee. The program for the evening was a reading by Wayne Williams and a debate on the question: "*Resolved*, That Mr. Cleveland is justifiable in his course in Hawaiian affairs." The affirmative was sustained by Will Fitzpatrick and Fred Cassell, the negative by Warren Durfee and Nathan Bourne. The judges were Frank Dawson, Charlie Bumstead and Herbert Corman. They decided in favor of the negative

A Change.

The directory of the Decatur Club has changed the ladies night from the third Thursday evening in each month to the Second Thursday, in order to accommodate club members who attend the Commandery meetings on the third Thursday night. Next Thursday night will be Ladies' Night at the club. The receptions are always occasions of rare pleasure and no doubt there will be a large attendance

Interment of Lillian Hunter.

D. A. Hunter, the Decatur electrician, has returned from Albany, New York, where on last Tuesday occurred the funeral of his daughter, Lillian Hunter, aged 20 years, who died of typhoid fever at Artigo, Wis., on Thanksgiving Day, Mr. Hunter was with his daughter three days before she died. Now Mr. Hunter is alone in the world, his wife and daughter having passed away.

Luncheon

Mrs Albert Barnes entertained Mesdames Will Barnes, F. J. Sedgwick, G D. Thomas, Charles Ewing, Chas. Moore, D A. Moffit, George Powers, Charles Reynolds, L. L Race and Misses Maud Burrows, Ida Jones, Jennie Rogers and Belle Ewing, yesterday at 1 o'clock luncheon. It was in honor of Miss Ida Jones, who will soon become the wife of Charles Hartsell, of Denver.

Modern Woodmen.

All members of Decatur Camp 144, M. W. of A., are requested to meet at their hall on Sunday, December 10th, at 1 o'clock sharp, to attend the funeral of our late Neighbor Steve Hubert. All members of our sister Camp, No. 1626, are invited to meet with us.

G. W. ROBERTS, V. C.
G. P. DAVIS, Clerk.

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Our 5-piece tea sets are put up in two different contributions, namely: one tea pot, sugar, cream, spoon-holder and butter dish. Our regular 5-piece tea set consists of tea pot, coffee pot, sugar, cream and spoon-holder. Come and look at them E. D. BARTHOLOMEW.

The City Bakery.

F. W. Werning is now at his old place, 517 North Morgan street, where can be had the largest and best loaf of bread for five cents in the city. Also cakes and pies. nov11-d1m

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Bring list with you and you can make Holiday Shopping easy. Pick some one article from the following for each one of your family, also your friends.

For Mother.
Underskirt, gloves, facinator, handkerchiefs, perfumery, linens, blankets, dress goods, silk dress, cloak, shawl, &c.

For Father.
Umbrella, gloves, office jacket, tie, shirts, hose, underwear, collar box, cuff box, muffler, &c.

For Sister
Fur cape, fur boa, fur muff, fur set, gloves, handkerchiefs, manicure set, toilet set, perfumery, lace collarettes, fancy handled umbrella, &c.

For Brother.
Muffler, umbrella, hosiery, smoking jacket, tie, white dress shirts, suspenders, cuff box, collar box gloves, toilet boxes, &c.

Thousands and thousands of small articles, such as Fancy Baskets Stamped Linens, Table Linens, Table Covers, Work Baskets, all kinds of articles for Infants, Worsted Jackets, Long Slips, Puff Boxes, Fur Carriage Robes, Carpet Sweepers, Ladies', Misses' and Children's Leggings in Jersey, Cloth and Leather, black and colors.

Furs.
Electric Seal Capes, worth $17.50, at $10.00.
Baltic Seal Capes, 27 inches long, $25.00.
French Seal Sacques, $85 00.
Monkey Capes, 32 inches long, $65.00, worth $100.00.
Neck Boas. $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00 up to $10.00.
Muffs, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00 up to $20,00 each.
Children's Fur Sets, muff and boa, $1.98 set.

Handkerchiefs.
3,000 doz. Ladies' and Men's Silk, Linen and Cotton Handkerchiefs.
Cotton, 3c, 5c, 7c, 9c, 10c, 12½c and 15c.
Silk, 12½c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 49c and 50c.
Linen, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c and 75c
Mufflers, 75c, $1,00, $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00.

Ladies' Suits.
175 Ladies' Ready-made Suits, sizes a little broken, so we have decided to take the different lots and make one price.
All our ready-made suits that we sold for $10.00, $12.50, $14.00 and $15.00, we will close them out at $9.00 a suit. This is cheaper than you can have a dress made, for all our suits are perfect fitting.

Ladies' Cloaks.
GREAT REDUCTION.

Worth	$ 5 00—	$ 3.50.
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Worth	12 50	7.00.
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Worth	16 50	8.00.
Worth	18 00	8.00
Worth	20 00	10.00
Worth	22 50	15.00
Worth	25 00	15 00
Worth	28 00	18.00

5,000 Dress Patterns.
Each pattern contains enough material for a full dress.
2,000 pairs Dress Robes we will offer from $4.00 to $25.00 for a full dress pattern.
1,000 American Dress Robes, $2,00 to $18 00 for full dress pattern.
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Misses and Children's Cloaks, $2 50, $3 00, $3.50, $4.00, $5.00 and $6.00.

VISIT OUR
Japanese Department
Which is loaded down with all kinds of Christmas Presents

18,000 Christmas Cards at 1c each.
Pin Trays 20c, Autograph Albums 5c.
Toilet Sets, Mirrors.
Comb and Brush, 49c.
Fancy Basket, 35c. Manicure Sets, 75c.
Japanese Cups and Saucers, 10c.
Japanese Sugars and Creamers, 49c
Japanese Vases, 75c.
1,000 Silk Umbrellas, in 26-inch and 28-inch, plain and fancy handles, holiday prices, 88c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, $2 50, $3.00, $3.50, $4 00 and $5.00. Name engraved on umbrella free of charge.

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We propose on Monday morning to commence a grand SACRIFICE SALE of this celebrated China. The stock is very complete and includes all the NEWEST PATTERNS and PRETTIEST SHAPES produced by this firm this year. We will sell you a 125-piece dinner set for $30, in six or eight decorations. Look out for the ADVERTISED PRICES MONDAY.

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW.

PERSONAL MENTION.

G. W. Wingate is on the sick list.

Billy Trowbridge is convalescent.

Mrs. G. C. Kinsman has returned from St. Louis.

E. McNabb arrived home to-day from Springfield.

Col. E. T. Lee, of Monticello, is in the city to-day.

Alderman R. R. Montgomery is in Chicago to-day.

Charles Bumstead is clerking in A. J. Stoner's drug store.

Mrs. T. W. Douglas is in Peoria attending her sick daughter.

C. M. Fletcher, of Mt. Zion, was among the farmers in the city to-day.

Miss Carrie Leonard is seriously ill at her home in the Gallagher Block.

David Noble and daughter, Retha, of Oreana, left to-day for Bloomington to visit friends.

State's Attorney Mills and W. T. Downing departed to-day for Marion county on business.

Alex. Sutton, who has been confined to his home several days by illness, is not so well to-day.

Miss Mertie Farmer, after a visit with Mel Holmes and family, left to-day for her home in Farmer City.

Mrs. J. H. Coonradt returned this afternoon from Albion, Michigan, where she has been visiting relatives.

Prof. Leonard and daughter, Miss Marie Leonard, were at Bloomington last night, giving lessons in dancing to a large class.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Cassell were at Niantic last night, called there by the illness of 'Squire John Cassell, who is now reported to be out of danger.

Mrs. E. B. Pratt's condition to-day is about the same as it has been for two days past. She does not gain strength, and is very weak.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Beatty and daughter, Miss Tessa, left for their home in Mansfield to-day, after a visit with Henry Smith and family.

John Freeman, B. S. Freeman and Ben Shurtleff arrived in the city to-day from Moweaqua, and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Freeman.

Col. D. H. Conklin, who arrived from Bristol, Tenn., a few days ago, will remain in Decatur until after the holidays. He reports business distressingly dull in the south.

J. G. Shea, of Danville, is in the city. He was not at home yesterday. He went to Mattoon to look after some business, preferring to be away from Danville during the execution of the two murderers.

The marriage of Charles Hartsell, of Denver, Col., and Miss Ida Jones, of this city, will occur on Wednesday, Dec. 13, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Jones, north of the city. The wedding will be a quiet affair. Mr. Hartsell is an attorney at Denver.

To Pension Clients.

C. R. Spore has sold his entire pension business to Capt. M. H. Lamb, of Jacksonville, Ill., books, claims and all. The sale was closed yesterday. It can be truthfully said that Spore's clients have secured a most excellent man to handle their business, as the captain served through the war with honorable distinction. He is a thorough-going business man, of fine record both in war and peace. He is what business men call a thorough-br... and a "stayer." Attorney Spore's health has been so poor of late that he has been compelled to drop his mantle on broader and abler shoulders, and his clients will find that Capt. Lamb will take good care of them. Clients may consider themselves very fortunate in thus securing through Attorney Spore such an able advocate in their claims as Capt. M. H. Lamb, of Jacksonville. He is ably assisted by J. L. Simms, who holds the office business level, and, withal, is a fine scholar and good business man. My clients will correspond with Capt. M. H. Lamb hereafter. Attorney Spore retains only his notary business and seal.

In F., C. and L.,
C. R. Spore,
Your Ex-Attorney.

Sales of Real Estate.

Delos F. Shelley to W. R. Adams, lot 10 in block of D. F. Shelley's addition—$400.

Delos F. Shelley to W. R. Adams, lot 11 in block of D. F. Shelley's addition—$400.

David Patterson to A. L. Stewart, 11.16 acres in Hickory Point township—$1600.

Ann H. Shelley to Delos F. Shelley, lot 12, block 1, and lots 5, 14, 15, 25, block 2, North Side Park addition—$3 000.

Henry A. Wood to W. J. Trimby, deed to lots 28, 29 and 30, block 3, Wood's Walnut Grove addition—$375.

John T. Hubbard to Frederica J. Webber, deed to 40 feet off south side lot 4, block 1, Dunfee & King's addition—$2,000.

DIED.

At St. Mary's Hospital, December 8, Anthony Shuck, aged 34 years.

The deceased was the father of seven children

The funeral will take place Sunday at 3 p. m. from the German Catholic church.

At the residence of her son, E. J. McMillan, 1326 North Church street, of bronchitis and the grip, at noon Dec. 9, Mrs. Julia A. McMillan, aged 61 years.

Funeral Monday. Hour not stated

Harriet Hosmer, the celebrated American sculptress, it is said, can wear as many medals as a hereditary Grand Duke. Miss Hosmer has remained in Europe almost continuously for twenty years. In a recent interview in Chicago she stated that if she had her life to live over again she would keep more in touch with her own country and countrymen.

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Prescriptions a specialty at Dawson's pharmacy, night or day.

SUICIDE OF A HORSE-THIEF.

Pardoned by Altgeld. G. H. Biggs Takes His Own Life.

G. H. Biggs, who was recently let out of the Joliet penitentiary through the pardon route, committed suicide yesterday at Camargo, east of Tuscola. Seven years ago Biggs was sent up from Moultrie county for ten years for horse stealing. Directly after being pardoned he went to Douglas county to work for a farmer near Camargo. Thursday night Biggs left the place, taking with him a valuable horse belonging to his employer. He was caught and put in a farm house under guard. While the guard was asleep Biggs shot himself through the heart, dying instantly.

Officers Elected.

Decatur Lodge, No. 687, Knights of Honor elected officers last night as follows:

Past Dictator—James Freeman.
Dictator—John Lytle.
Vice Dictator—J. W. Pearson.
Assistant Dictator—F. M. Cox.
Reporter—Wm. Towling.
Financial Reporter—N. L. Krone.
Treasurer—R. P. Lytle.
Chaplain—James Freeman.
Guide—John Alloways.
Guardian—T. T. Roberts.
Sentinel—O. Z. Green.
Representative to Grand Lodge—O. F. Corman.

Alternate—James Freeman.

Trustees—John Lytle, H. A. Wood and F. M. Cox.

Next meeting on fourth Friday for installation.

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GRAND OPERA HOUSE.
ONE NIGHT,
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First appearance in the city of the famous
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From Palmer's Theatre, N. Y., in
ALABAMA!
BY AUGUSTUS THOMAS.
The company includes such artists as J. H. Stoddard, E. J. Henley, E. M. Holland, Edward Bell, George Fawcett, Reub. Fax, Herbert Millward, May Brookyn, Julia Arthur, Jennie Eustace, Rose Barrington, Ann Urhart, and others of the original home company.
Prices—$1.00, 75, 50 and 25 Cts.
Seats in Boxes, $1.50
The sale of seats will begin Tuesday morning, Dec. 12, at Tyler's Opera House Drug Store.

FOR SALE.—Bids will be received until Thursday, Dec. 14, for the purchase of the P. H. Kaufhold stock of piece goods and trimmings, together with the fixtures in the store. Will be sold in bulk or parts, as may be to the best advantage. Terms cash. For invoice of stock, or further information, inquire of S. S. Jack, assignee. 9-5d

FOR SALE OR TRADE.—Forty ft. vacant lot on East William street, about two blocks from Water street. Small cash payment down, balance on long time, or will trade for improved property. Apply at 509 E. Eldorado st. 8-d6*

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THE CHURCHES TO-MORROW.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
W. H. Penhallegon, D. D., pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Services at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor. Morning subject: "The Old, Old Book; Five Points Briefly Considered." Evening: "The Old, Old Book; has it a Message for me?" Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:45 p. m. Strangers and others not worshiping elsewhere are cordially invited.

COLLEGE STREET CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 3 p. m., R. G. Wells, Supt.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL.
Corner of Macon street and Haworth avenue. Sunday school at 2 p. m., R. J. Simpson, Supt.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.
Rev. D. F. Howe, pastor. Class meeting at 9 o'clock a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m, by Prof. W. P. Lackland of Westeyan University, Bloomington. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Intermediate Endeavor at 6:45 p. m.

SARGENT'S CHAPEL.
South Broadway. Sunday school at 2 p. m.

FIRST ENGLISH EVNG. LUTHERAN.
Corner of N. Main and William streets. Rev. M. L. Wagner, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. All are welcome.

CHURCH OF GOD.
Corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo streets. Rev. C. F. Rogers, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject: "The Fullness of Christ." Evening subject: "Christ the Good Shepherd." Sunday school at 2 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Cor. N. Water and E. North streets. Charles E. Torrey, pastor. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. Topic: "God's Work and Glory." Evening: "No Death in Heaven." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Intermediate Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:45 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. Monday evening at 7:30.
East Park Bible school at 2:30 p. m.

U. B. CENTENARY CHURCH.
458 North Broadway. J. A. F. King, pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Rev. L. Field. Sabbath school, 2.30, M. J. McMahon, supt.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.
Corner of Eldorado and Church streets. Rev. W. C. Miller, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10:45. Subject: "Cumulation of Manhood." Evening service at 7:30. Subject: "The Gaslight Lowered; or Wandering in the Shadows," the second of a series. Modernized chorus choir and orchestra. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST.
Rev. Hardin Smith, pastor. Covenant meeting at 10:30 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 7:30 p. m. Communion service at close of sermon. Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., Perry Orr, supt. Monday at 8 p. m Y. P. S. C. E., Hattie Orr, president. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH.
Rev. H. H. Oneal, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject: "The Loss and Gain of Life." Evening subject: "Woman's Heroism;" an address to young women, for the times.
Sunday school at 2 p. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL.
The Christian Science Sunday School will be held in the new rooms, 13 and 14 Columbia Block, at 3 p. m. every Sunday.

Y. M. C. A.
Men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. rooms at 3:30 p. m. N. W. Woodford, leader. Subject: "Nehemiah, the Model General Secretary." All men invited.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH.
On Prairie street, between North Main and Church streets. Rev. Wiley Johnson pastor. Services to-morrow: Sabbath school 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Class meeting at 3 p. m. All are invited.
West End Mission, near Ross' store—Sabbath school, 9:30 a. m; preaching at 3 p. m.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

The Republican is indebted to B. Z. Taylor dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis, for the following market quotations:

Chicago, Ill., December 9, 1893.

Articles.	Opening.	High'st	Lowest	Closing
Wheat—				
Dec	62⅜	62⅞	62⅜	62⅞
Jan	....	....	....	....
May	68¼	68⅞	68⅜	68⅞
Corn—				
Dec	35½	36	35½	35⅞
Jan	35⅞	36⅛	35⅞	36
May	40¼	40⅝	40¼	40½
Oats—				
Dec	28¼	28⅜	28¼	28⅜
Jan	28¾	28⅞	28¾	28⅞
May	31	31⅛	30⅞	31
Pork—				
Jan	.....	.....	.....	12 92
Dec	.....	.....	.....	....
May	.....	.....	.....	13 00
Lard—				
Jan	....	....	....	8 05
May	....	....	....	7 85
Ribs—				
Jan	....	....	....	6 77
May	....	....	....	6 80

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS.
Wheat, all grades, 150, Estimated 114.
Corn, all grades, 295; Estimated, 300.
Oats, all grades, 102; Estimated, 145.

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS.
Hogs 16,000: market steady. Light hogs $5.25 @$5 55. Heavy packing, $4 90@$5 45.
Cattle 1,000; market steady.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.
Wheat, 162, Corn, 475; Oats, 285.

Puts on Dec. wheat........................68⅜
Calls " " "........................69⅞

Wheat opended about ⅛ stronger than last nights closing and the fluctuations have been confined to ¼c.
Corn is firm.
Oats are steady at about yesterday's closing.

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LATEST FROM HAWAII

Arrival of the Schooner Transit at San Francisco.

MINISTER WILLIS HAD NOT YET ACTED,

And Would Only Do So to Preserve the Peace Until He Received Instructions from Washington—Provisional Government Firm.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 9.—The scooner Transit arrived late last evening, bringing the following from the United Press correspondent:

"After the steamer Alameda sailed, Minister Willis stated nothing definite would be done here until he had received a reply to dispatches sent to Washington. In an interview with a Star reporter, Minister Willis said: "Any trouble precipitated on either side would be stopped at once by the United States forces."

"President Dole called upon Minister Willis on the 17th to inquire how far the United States authority would be carried in case of an emergency. The provisional government seems to be fully satisfied with Willis' reply. It is reliably stated that President Dole informed Minister Willis that the provisional government would require no aid from the United States unless called for, and that any breach of peace that might occur would be speedily dealt with by the Hawaiian government, and that they would aid him in keeping the peace. It is understood that Minister Willis replied that he would stand back of the present government until the present difficulty was settled, and that he did not expect trouble unless it was precipitated by irresponsible persons on one side or the other

"Interviews with members of the provisional government show that they are fully determined to brook no interference until the United States government is officially heard from Troops are kept fully armed and ready for action at a moment's notice. Prominent Americans assert that the restoration of the queen shall not take place. There are about 1,500 rifles, with a full supply of ammunition, in the hands of private citizens, which the queen's forces could not secure in case of restoration. It is taken as a fact that the provisional government and resident Americans would surely resist either a compromise or restoration.

"Minister Willis stated to day he was confident that legislation favorable to the Hawaiian islands would soon be enacted in the United States."

FITZWILLIAM'S MURDERERS.

The Villain Who Probably Fired the Fatal Shot Positively Identified by Miss Scheuble.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 9. — Miss Lizzie Scheuble, who was on the Midland car on the night in September last when Edgar J. Fitzwilliam was murdered, was taken to Chief of Detective Desmond's office yesterday and confronted with a number of negroes from whom she at once picked out James Murray, now under arrest for robbery, as one of the men who committed the murder

Murray was very anxious that Miss Scheuble should say that he was not the one who killed Fitzwilliam. He related the circumstance of the murder, telling how he stood at one side of Fitzwilliam while "Dude Charley" stood in front and did the shooting In doing this every few minutes he would interject his remarks with:

"Now, ain't dat so, young woman?"

Miss Scheuble refused to agree with him, saying she did not remember the exact positions of the murderers.

Ed Murray was next brought in. He confessed he was there, but Miss Scheuble could not remember seeing him in the car.

Charles Williams, alias Kirby, the negro to whom James Murray confessed while in jail, reiterated his story.

William Henkley, alias Henze, alias Jonah, another negro arrested early yesterday morning, was also brought in Henkley said that James Murray told him the day following the murder that he killed Fitzwilliam Henkley will be held as a witness.

A Cheeky Request.

STUTTGART, Dec 9.—It is rumored that while Emperor William was the guest of the king of Wurtemberg at Benhausen, a short time ago, his imperial majesty asked the king to resign the supreme command of the Wurtenberg army, thus following the example set by the grand duke of Baden. The request, it is said, was made during a hunt in the Benhausen forest. The object of the emperor in asking the king to resign his commandership was to permit the war office in Berlin to have complete control of the military organization throughout Germany.

Will Go Into Camp at Roby.

LA PORTE, Ind., Dec. 9.—The report that the militia would march on Roby Monday was confirmed here yesterday morning by an official order from Col. James K. Gore, of Elkhart, commander of the third regiment, making this city the point of rendezvous of the companies command.

Capt. Morrison of Co. L, of this city, has received marching orders, and 500 militiamen, supplied with equipage for active campaigning, will go into camp within the inclosure of the Athletic club at Roby

A Choice Between Evils.

ANSONIA, N. H., Dec. 9.—A. H. and C. B. Alling, manfacturers of woolen goods, have given their employes notice of a cut of 10 per cent. in wages, to take effect Monday. The 800 operatives are to hold a meeting to consider the change. They have the choice of accepting it or working on short time at the old scale.

Adjourned Until Monday.

When court re-opened at 2 o'clock Judge Wing resumed his argument on behalf of the defense, and when he had finished Attorney Donohoe moved that the court adjourn the case until Monday to give both sides a much-needed rest and enable the state to place its testimony in condition for rapid presentation. Attorney Bottum concurred in the request of the defense, and Judge Tuthill announced the adjournment until Monday, when the taking of testimony will begin.

DUN'S COMMERCIAL REPORT.

Little that is Encouraging—A General Waiting for Tariff Legislation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—R. G. Dun & Co 's weekly review of trade, issued today, says:

Trade of all kinds is waiting. There is no visible improvement, and on the whole the indications are a little less satisfactory than they were a week ago. The volume of business, measured by clearinghouse returns outside of New York, show a decrease of only 12 per cent. compared with last year, which is encouraging, but as the statement covers the payments for the first of the month, it may not correctly measure the volume of new transactions. The reports from the other cities show a hesitating trade almost everywhere, with a decided disposition to wait until congress has acted on the tariff question. Hence the delay and uncertainty are likely to last for some weeks.

The speculative markets have not moved much In railroad stocks there has been a slight decline of fifty cents per share, and in trust stocks nearly as much, without much excitement in either market The sales have been only a million shares, but reports in regard to the increase of taxation of sugar, whisky and other products make wnatever market there is

Railroad earnings are fairly encouraging, for they show a decline of only 4 per cent, compared with last year, and in freight earnings the decrease is only 7 per cent. The eastern roads continue to show some gain, and on the southern roads there is a small decrease, but the decline on western roads is still heavy running from 7 to 10 per cent with even larger declines in Pacific roads

Wheat has risen a shade The western receipts were only 3,957,281 bushels against 6,694,180 for the same week last year, while the exports from Atlantic ports were only 427 484 bushels against 1,821,400 for the same week last year The receipts of corn were unusually large amounting to 3,227,771 bushels, against 2,766,760 for the same week last year, and the exports were 889,066 bushels, against 627,506 last year

The movement of cotton was not encouraging to holders, and appearances indicate a larger supply on plantations than had been expected The receipts at the ports for the week were 258,208 bales, against 212,517 for the same time last year, but the exports were 189,875 bales, against 114,236 last year The price declined an eighth with strong evidence that the continued heavy receipts are wearying the holders The cotton manufacture does better than other branches at present, and yet has not a very healthy appearance The demand is not strong, and price of goods are barely maintained The disposition to buy with great caution and confine purchases to actual requirements is more clearly manifected than in previous weeks

In woolen goods the sense of disappointment is very clear, and there seems no reason to expect any decided recovery until congress has acted on the tariff question Several works have stopped production during the week, and others are running only to fill orders which will soon be exhausted. No quotable change is noted in prices, but the sales of wool for the week have been only 3,747,500 pounds, against 4,750,500 for the corresponding week last year. The demand for speculative purposes continues, and a considerable proportion of the sales are of that character

In the iron and steel manufacture there are symptoms of improvement. The eastern markets are waiting, and while one company has gone in the market as a speculative buyer taking about 18,000 tons it is said, and there have been large purchases of pipe iron also, the general tone of the market is not improved There is a feeling that the new steel rail combination will result in a decided decrease in the demand for rails and also for pig iron, and at Philadelphia and Pitsburgh no improvement in prices is seen

Copper is somewhat stronger, with 10¾ bid, and the evidence of a combination of producers accumulate Lead has remained unchanged in price and in tin prices have been almost stationary

The prospect of a renewal of gold exports causes no great excitement in the street, as the banks now hold so large a stock of gold on hand that a really heavy loss would not cause them any embarrassment Yet it is felt that any outgo of gold at this time would be evidence that Europe has been selling a large amount of securities in this market, and there is a feeling that such sales may easily be pushed far enough to cause serious disaster. The bank reserves amounting to $198,000,000 are the largest ever known and there is a feeling that the accumulation of idle money here is somewhat dangerous to legitimate trade but as yet there appears no indication of speculative excitement in products or in stocks

The increase in circulation during the month of November was about $8 000,000, although there was no demand for additional currency in any of the interior markets, and the evidence is clear that the supply of currency is far in excess of the needs of business

The failures for the week number 386 in the United States, against 371 for the corresponding week last year, and 42 in Canada, against 36 last year

The Prendergast Trial—Fined for Contempt.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Interest in the Prendergast trial increased so much yesterday that at the afternoon session all the seats were filled, and a crowd waited outside the court room until seats were vacated. Many business men and society women were present to see the prisoner and listen to his atterances

The most interesting incident happened just before adjournment. "Penneke, or G. A Fischer, will step forward," commanded Judge Brentano, in a stern voice. A young business man came to the box, accompanied by Special Bailiff Fred Busse. The judge wanted to know why the man gave the name of Penneke instead of his own to the bailiff, and why he did not obey the summons to appear in court for jury service this morning. Fischer said he gave no name, and was not summoned to appear in the morning, but the court believed the bailiff.

Fischer is the owner of a Wabash-avenue art store, succeeding Penneke. The judge rapidly read the law to the offending citizen, declaring him guilty of contempt of court, fined him $50 and costs, and ordered his confinement in jail until the fine was paid. Fischer produced a check, but the officers would not accept it, and he was kept in custody for a short time. He was also ordered by the judge to appear in court to-morrow for jury service Eighty jurors had been secured when court adjourned.

What About the French in Siam?

PARIS, Dec. 9.—M. Deloncle will, in the chamber of deputies, question Prime Minister Casimir-Perier regarding the position of the French in Siam and other matters concerning that country.

Found Guilty of Murder and Sentenced.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 9.—The defense of George Bunn, an American artist, who is on trial for the murder of Anna Hoffman, a servant girl of whom he was enamored, in the Antwerp court of assizes, opened yesterday. It was brought out in the evidence that Bunn had been a federal soldier in the American civil war, and that he was wounded in the head. Since then he has been subject to fits of aberration of mind, during which he is not responsible for his actions.

The jury found Bunn guilty, but added that there were extenuating circumstances. The court sentenced him to fifteen years imprisonment at hard labor.

Three Thousand Dollars for a Husband.

LEBANON, Ind., Dec. 9.—The damage suit of Mrs. C. R. Werner vs. J. C. Brown, to recover $10,000 for the killing of her husband in the Danville (Ind.) court room last May, was yesterday compromised by the payment of $3,000. The two men were opposing counsel in a case. A bitter feeling was engendered and hot words passed between the men. A personal encounter, ending in the killing, followed. Brown was tried and acquitted and now the suit for damages brought by the widow has been compromised.

Overpowered and Robbed.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Dec. 9.—Wm. N. Bishop, a wealthy cattle dealer, and his invalid wife were attacked by three masked robbers, who forced an entrance to their residence. Mr. Bishop was overpowered, the keys to the safe taken from his pocket and the safe opened. Six hundred dollars in cash and valuable papers were taken by the thieves who made good their escape. Mrs. Bishop was so badly frightened that her condition is extremely critical.

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THE COUGHLIN TRIAL

Judge Wing's Opening Address for the Defense.

THE EVIDENCE OF CIRCUMSTANCES,

Upon Which the Prosecution Largely Depends, Held Up to Ridicule—The Irish Character Attacked to Save an Irishman's Neck.

Judge Wing's Opening Address in the Coughlin Trial.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Judge Wing began his opening address for the defense in the trial of Daniel Coughlin for the murder of Dr. Cronin shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning in Judge Tuthill's court. The burden of his address was on the alleged fallacy of the circumstantial evidence, indicating that the line of defense to be adopted by Coughlin's attorneys is to try to break down this clause of the testimony, which forms so large a part of the evidence to be introduced by the state.

A Story of Tongue.

Judge Wing opened his address with the story of the man who ordered his slave to procure the best food for his dinner and afterward the worst and the slave in both cases put upon the board a dish of tongues. The tongue, the slave explained, was the best and most useful, as well as the worst and most harmful of instruments. Applying his story to the case in hand, the attorney declared that here also the tongue would work all the good or all the mischief.

Murders are Committed by Courts.

He then proceeded to define the power for good or evil of circumstantial evidence, citing several cases in illustration: "The state has piled up a mass of suspicion against this prisoner. There is sometimes injustice done within the hall of justice more deserving condemnation than that which is committed without. The state proposes to take the life of a man on the turning of a word. In these days murders are committed by courts more atrocious than any committed on the streets. I tell you that the case of the people against Daniel Coughlin, when submitted to the legal test perishes. Because it is founded upon suspicion."

Unreliability of Circumstantial Evidence.

With dramatic power the attorney described scenes of murder, illustrating his assertion. The prisoner was interested, but "Dan" allowed not a word to escape him. The crowd, which was considerably larger than usual, listened intently as Judge Wing told of the famous Decker murder case and the strong suspicions which fastened upon the Decker brothers, the sons of the murdered old man and woman, and the chain of circumstances which made their guilt almost certain until the confession of the negro assassin had exonerated them.

Irish Factions and Jealousies.

"Do you wonder, then?" he exclaimed, that my brother members of the bar consider circumstantial evidence to be the worst kind of evidence? Take the present case. The state claims that feuds existed; that this prisoner had a violent hatred for Dr. Cronin. Now, the Irish people are among the best on earth, but they are incapable of self-government. Factions will arise among them. You have heard of the United Brotherhood," said Judge Wing. "I was called so, probably, because it never was united. The Irish are a fine people, but are incapable of self-government. They are always quarreling among themselves. There are jealousies and bickerings. This is true of almost every Irish family, of every Irish neighborhood, of every Irish organization. That was what was the matter with the Clan-na-Gael. This has been the reason why the officers of the state have been so long misled in this Cronin case. The day after the doctor disappeared one of the Irish factions began to look about for some member of the other faction to accuse of the crime. Some of the brethren must be arrested. Any Irishman would do, so that he belonged to the other faction. It didn't matter what Irishman might be arrested, and it hasn't mattered much. If I killed Kickham Scanlan to-night the faction to which he belonged would at once look in the other faction for some one to arrest. They would never suspect me, because I'm not Irish.

The Coughlin and Cronin Factions.

"Factions existed in this society to which Dan Coughlin and Dr. Cronin belonged, and just as soon as Dr. Cronin disappeared each faction suspected the other of the crime. 'Irishmen did it,' they said, and they at once accused the members of camp 20. The state puts the motive at the door of Coughlin's hatred for the doctor."

Judge Wing next announced the statement that Coughlin was in a conspiracy to murder Dr. Cronin, and referring to Coughlin's former trial, attacked the testimony given then by Mrs. Hoertel, and warned the jury against paying heed to it in this trial.

Attorney Bottum Protests

Here Attorney Bottum protested against Judge Wing's remarks. He understood the defense would outline its evidence, but in six hours of talking he had not heard anything of that sort.

"Yes, I will outline our evidence," replied Judge Wing. We will show, first, that the evidence against Dan Coughlin is insufficient to convict a man of anything, and, second, that the testimony given at that former trial was perjured. We will show that Mrs. Hoertel's testimony is unreliable, and that she is a woman of low character."

Judge Wing then attacked the statement that O'Sullivan's contract was a part of the conspiracy.

A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—Mr. Gladstone is seriously ill.

—A severe storm prevailed off the coast of Great Britain yesterday.

—The Argentine congress has sanctioned an extradition treaty with Great Britain.

—The Spanish government has ordered Gen. Martinez del Campos to march on the Riffians.

—It is probable that the state of siege at Buenos Ayres will be extended for sixty days longer.

—John Ave, of St. Louis, a German, 65 years of age, committed suicide, Tuesday night, by taking "rough on rats."

—The president has approved the joint resolution conferring diplomas upon designers, inventors and expert artisans.

—Signor Crispi is in Rome on a summons from King Humbert to form a cabinet, and has conditionally accepted the charge.

—A dispatch from Rio Janeiro states that the commercial situation there is improving, and that confidence is gradually returning.

—Hon. Robert Preston Bruce, a brother of the earl of Elgin, the newly-appointed viceroy of India, died in Edinburgh yesterday from influenza.

—An unknown three-masted schooner went ashore on Squash Meadow shoals, Vineyard sound, Mass., yesterday morning. A tug went to her assistance.

—The small Belgian steamer Princess Louise, bound from Bilboa for Antwerp, is ashore at Fort Bath, Belgium. She will probably be a total wreck.

—It having been decided to dissolve the Portuguese cortes, elections for new members have been fixed for January 14. The new house will meet on March 5.

—The taking of testimony in the case of Dr. Henry C. F. Meyer, of New York, charged with the murder of Ludwig Brandt by poison, was begun yesterday in the court of oyer and terminer.

—King Lobengula has sent envoys to the British, asking that a number of the British South Africa Co.'s men be sent to meet him. He desires to surrender, and wants the soldiers to guard him.

—The joint resolution providing for the payment of salaries and expenses of additional collectors of internal revenue, to carry out the provisions of the Chinese exclusion act, has been signed by the president.

—Sixty men are on strike at the East Bangor Consolidated Slate Co.'s quarry at Easton, Pa., because of a reduction of ten cents a square on No. 1 rib slate. The men say the reduction means a loss of $12 a month.

—The manufacturing jewelers of Plainville North Attleboro Falls and Attleboro, Mass., ninety-six in number, and those of Providence, R. I., have suffered losses aggregating $500,000 by reason of failures in the past year.

—The Estafett says M. Pavie, French minister to Siam, has been instructed to proceed from Bangkok to the upper Mokong river to carry out the delimitation of the boundaries of the territory ceded to France by Siam.

—A Spanish naval squadron will go to Tangier to support the ultimatum that has been sent to the sulton of Morocco, who is to be held responsible by Spain for the action of his subjects in attacking the Spaniards at Melilla.

—Miss Florrie O'Keefe, late a member of the London Gaiety theater company, has been awarded £150 damages from H. Frith, son of William Powell Frith, of the Royal academy, for breach of promise of marriage and seduction.

—Henry Clay Landers, who, on December 1, murdered his fellow-waiter in the Troop hotel in Topeka, Kan., as the guests were going in to supper, and who gave himself up to the authorities December 5, died yesterday morning in the county jail.

—It is now believed that the fire in Crystal Ridge mine at Hazleton, Pa., has been gotten under control. The slope is a wreck from foot to mouth. It will require a year to put the mine again in working order. The origin of the fire is still a mystery.

—A scheme is on foot to establish torpedo companies in the French army similar to those in the Russian army. In the event of war such companies would be required to guard the approaches to inland waters, and also to carry on submarine operations along the coast.

—The impression among leading democrats in congress is that Mr. Cleveland is going to take a back track in the Hawaiian affair, and that his object in dispatching a special messenger on the revenue cutter Corwin to Honolulu was to countermand his instructions to Willis, if it should not be too late.

—Ex-minister Robert T. Lincoln and ex-Consul John C. New both testified in the Howard case at Jackson, Tenn., yesterday morning. Their testimony was to prove the fraudulent transactions of William Lord Monroe in London, whose identity with the defendant, Dr. Frederick Howard, is claimed by the prosecution.

FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Mr. Talbot introduced a resolution setting forth the delays and deferment which have occurred since the democratic party came into power, and calling upon the ways and means committee to at once bring in a revised tariff bill, and directing the committee on banking and currency to report a bill providing for financial relief in order that the dominant party may redeem its platform pledges. Objection being made to its immediate consideration, the resolution went over.

Mr. Kilgore moved that the house go into committee of the whole to consider the bill providing for the organization of a constitutional government in Utah and the admission of that territory as a state.

Mr. Dingley raised the point of no quorum, and the clerk was directed to call the roll.

The roll-call resulted: Yeas, 145; nays, 6; disclosing the absence of a quorum.

Mr. Kilgore moved that a call of the house be had, and Mr. Dingley demanded the yeas and nays, which were ordered. The call of the house was ordered by a vote of 156 yeas to 38 nays.

The morning hour having expired, the point of order was made that the call was not in order. The chair held that the call had been ordered.

Successive motions to reconsider the vote by which a call was ordered and to refuse a call of the house were made.

Mr. Oates moved to go into a committee of the whole to consider the bankruptcy bill, which motion prevailed.

Mr. Dalley asked unanimous consent that the house take a vote to substitute his bill for the pending measure before proceeding under the 5 minute rule but objection was made.

Mr. Bland moved to strike out the enacting clause and on a division the yeas were 76; nays, 57.

The point of no quorum was raised and Messrs. Bland and Oates were appointed tellers. The vote resulted: 101 yeas, 91 nays.

The announcement of the vote was received by applause.

Mr. Bland moved that the committee of the whole rise and report the bill back to the house with the recommendation that the enacting clause be stricken out. The motion prevailed and the committee rose.

Mr. Bland moved that the house concur in the action of the committee, and Mr. Oates demanded the yeas and nays.

After many dilatory motions and roll calls, the yeas and nays were ordered on Mr. Bland's motion, and resulted: Yeas, 162; nays, 111. And the recommendation was agreed to that the house concur in the report of the committee of the whole which stated that the enacting clause of the bankruptcy bill be stricken out.

On motion of Mr Outhwaite it was resolved that when the house adjourn to-day it be until next Monday.

The house then, at 4:55, adjourned till Monday.

Granted a Respite.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 9.—Gov. Pattison yesterday granted a respite of thirty days to Henry Heist, the Adams county murderer, sentenced to be hanged December 14.

STOPPED THEIR MAIL

The United States Authorities Taking a Hand

IN THE SUPPRESSION OF SWINDLING.

A Long List of High-Sounding Frauds to be Prosecuted Under the Law Prohibiting Lotteries—A Sweeping Order.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The United States authorities have determined to suppress the bond and investment companies which are operating all over the country. Post Office Inspector Stuart received from Washington yesterday a list of over fifty concerns operating in much the same manner as the Guarantee Investment Co. of Chicago, whose officers were convicted in Judge Gosscup's court. Accompanying the list was a communication from the chief post office inspector at Washington stating that the companies named had been investigated by Assistant Attorney-General Thomas, and had been pronounced by him fraudulent and not entitled to the privileges of the United States mails. Inspector Stuart was instructed to notify the postmasters in his district not to deliver any of them registered letters or money orders. He was also directed to secure evidence against any of the companies operating here or anywhere else in the west and prosecute them under the law forbidding lotteries and the act forbidding the use of the mails for swindling purposes.

The companies included in the list are as follows, some of them being virtually branches of the same concern, but operating in different sections of the country: Equitable Investment Co., Council Bluffs, Ia.; Perpetual Maturity Bond Co., same city; Iowa Guarantee Investment Co., Keokuk, Ia.; Reserve Fund Investment Co., Creston, Ia.; United States Investment Co., Banker's Investment Co., Capital Consul Co. and Columbia Bond Investment Co., Minneapolis; North American Investment Co. and St. Paul Guarantee Investment Co., Milwaukee; state of Washington Bond Co., Tacoma; Phœnix Loan and Investment Co., Colorado Guarantee and Loan Co., Guarantee Investment Co., Investment Bond Co., and Workmen's Investment and Bond Co., Denver; Wadem Investment Co., Pueblo, Col.; Pacific Coast Bond and Investment Co., Ogden, Utah; Utah Savings Investment Co., Mt. Pleasant, Utah; Utah Guarantee Investment Co., Seattle, Wash.; Guarantee and Bond Investment Co., Covington, Ky.; Columbia Bond and Investment Co., Newport, Ky.; American Guarantee Savings and Investment Co., Fort Valley, Ga.; National Confederate Guarantee Co., Nashville; Phœnix Savings and Investment Co., Waco, Tex.; American Bond and Investment Co., Equitable Investment Co., Missouri Loan and Investment Co., and Nebraska Savings Investment Co., Omaha; National Guarantee and Investment Co., Lincoln, Neb.; National Savings and Investment Co., Tekanska, Mich.; Columbia Investment Co., Saginaw, Mich.; St. Louis Mutual Bond Investment Co., and Guarantee Investment Co., St. Louis; Pettis County Investment Co., Sedalia, Mo.; Missouri State Loan and Investment Co., Fayette, Mo.; Provident Bond and Investment Co. and Franco-German Electric Co., Cincinnati; California Land and Water Co., Dayton, O.; Union Investment Co. and Louisiana Lottery Co., Kansas City; Guarantee Investment Co., Hull, Ill.; American Certificate Co., New York city and Utica, N. Y.; Provident Bond and Investment Co., Washington, D. C., and Philadelphia.

Inspector Stuart was instructed that any change in the plan of operation by these companies is not to be allowed to change their status before the post office authorities. Abandoning the bond "maturity" plan will not save them from prosecution if evidence can be secured that they have heretofore violated the law forbidding lotteries.

"This order shutting out the investment companies from the mails," said Inspector Stuart," is a sweeping one, and will put an end to the swindle."

Fire in a St. Louis Clothing Store.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 9.—Yesterday evening at 5 o'clock fire broke out on the first floor of the Famous, at Broadway and Morgan, and before the fire department arrived had eaten out the wood work on the eastern side of the building, climbed along the festoons and decorations of the interior, and caught the stacks of goods upon showcases and shelves throughout the store.

In a very short while, however, the hose was adjusted, there came a terrible crash of glass, and the engines were playing upon the flames. In fifteen minutes they were under control.

Will Cover the Case of Jabez Spencer Belfour.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The foreign office authorizes the representative of the United Press to confirm the statement that an extradition treaty has been entered into between the Argentine and British governments. By the terms of this treaty Jabez Spencer Balfour, whose swindling operations in building societies ruined an enormous number of people, and who fled to the Argentine Republic to escape arrest and prosecution, will be immediately arrested and turned over to the British authorities.

Misappropriated His Firm's Funds and Suicided.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 9.—Henry Cahn, aged 29, committed suicide about 8 o'clock yesterday morning at his boarding-house, 1604 Pine street, by taking a large dose of carbolic acid. The direct cause of Cahn's suicide was the misappropriation of some of the funds of his employer, but there was also, no doubt, lurking behind the whole affair, a family quarrel of several years' standing.

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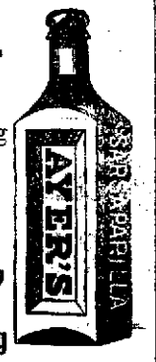

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IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

Exhilarating Use Made of Its Blue Waters In Nature's Great Lavatory.

As summer approaches is there anything which pictures itself to one's mind in more roseate colors or in a more charming manner than bathing—sea-bathing. No doubt those who have spent a month at the shore and gleefully indulged in all the rollicking sports, who have immersed themselves in America's briny waves, are longing for another plunge, another gay time on the sands, and, perhaps, too, another shot of the Kodak at some unsuspecting group, who blush in unfeigned embarrassment when the picture is afterward produced within the stately walls of the winter drawing-rooms. But those who have been fortunate enough to glide from Italy's picturesque shores into the warm blue waters of the Mediterranean and float luxuriously in the salty sea among a perfect school of happy bathers will never forget it. Never! Venice, Naples, Capri, Amalfi! It makes one's eyes glisten at the very thought of it. To Italy's splendid title, "The Land of Poetry and Song," might also be added "The Land of Baths," were it not that the second name to some fastidious minds would detract from the beauty of the first.

The ancient Romans, borrowing as they did all the worthily imitable customs from their Greek and Egyptian neighbors, found the baths especially suited to their luxurious tastes and carried them to a degree of excellence which had never been attained, making them not only of immense benefit in a sanitary way, but establishing them as a favorite rendezvous for people of culture and talent as well as for the poorer classes, who also enjoyed the privilege of their own compartments. Look at the baths of Diocletian, which are estimated to have accommodated no less than eighteen thousand people at one time. And those of Caracallar at Rome. What wonderful ruins of a still more wonderful structure. In these walls bathing became a science. Cold baths, tepid baths, hot baths, oil baths, sun baths—every kind of bath! Why simply to visit the place was a rest and recreation. Statuary and paintings lent beauty on all sides. Music charmed. Orators and poets entertained.

What beauty in the remaining walls of the Pompeiian baths. The frescoes are as bright and beautiful as if they were done but yesterday, and the marble carvings and pavements which escaped the fury of the burning mountain have softened in color almost to an ivory. One object of especial beauty attracts the eye of the visitor, and that is a graceful bronze vase which stands, as it stood then, in the center of one of the women's apartments. This vase, wide and shallow, is perhaps fifteen or twenty feet in circumference, and must have been used as a shower bath, in which it is easy to fancy some fair lone reclining. In the villa or public garden of Naples there is another vase similar to this one but much larger, which was also found in these baths and which now serves for a fountain and the accommodation of a family of most impertinent ducks—typical Italian ducks, which take all they can get, especially from the foreigners, without offering the slightest entertainment in return, but perhaps it is more especially the foreigners who feed them.

Then the baths of Nero. Around the coast on the charming picturesque road leading from Pozzuoli to Baia one alights from the little carrozzella and clambers up to a cave cut in the side of the mountain, wherein is a spring heated to a high temperature in its subterranean channels by veins of volcanic life which abound near Vesuvius. This spot suited well the comfort-loving Nero, who made of it a favorite resort and caused the rough stone couches to be placed there, which still remain.

One reads little of sea bathing in those days. Every Roman colony thought to construct its baths as it thought of raising its temples. But now all Italy turns its face to its natural advantages and with one accord cries as early as May "Let us to the sea!" Not all the establishments are as convenient and as well constructed as the Lido at Venice and those of Posilippo at Naples but they are all on the same general plan. Every place open to the use of the public is provided with a pavilion where people congregate to discuss the latest topics, or to devour with eager ears the latest gossip, while there is always music, from morning till night, if only one of those harassing "Organette" or portable pianos, which grind incessantly and seem always to be playing "Santa Lucia" or "Relia Napoli" and vary sometimes with the "Trovatore."

On either side of the pavilion are the "camerini" or dressing-rooms, one side reserved for ladies, the other for gentlemen. These camerini are the roughest kind of little wooden boxes, carpeted with a mat of braided straw, and furnished with four rude chairs for the four persons each is supposed to accommodate. Then there are the steps leading to the water. The fee for the use of each room is one franc fifty (or thirty cents), including the linen sheets, the price never varying, whether there be one or four persons together.

Once in the water and presto change! all the reserved etiquette of the Italian drawing room vanishes. Then and then only does liberty exist and the pretty little signorinas, as well as the handsome signoras, in the very simplest kind of bathing costume (generally dark blue with a little white braid), transformed into veritable water nymphs, swim off with all the grace and alacrity of a fish, never fearing, never tiring, just as if they had been born to it. And there is no end to romance. Fancy a boat full of handsome young officers towing a trail of pretty, bright-eyed girls to some quiet, picturesque spot where all indulge in a jolly little luncheon. It doesn't seem so very much like it? And yet when one recalls that those same young officers may never have dared address the young ladies on land, or if they have had the good fortune to do so it was only under the watchful eye of the omnipresent chaperone, then we realize what it really means.

Then there are the quieter places like the placid blue waters of Sorrento, away down under the high walls of rock, where one may float and gaze up at the beautiful villas and fragrant orange gardens. And Capri, where the wonderful Blue Grotto is free to all who can swim there, while the hurried traveler inevitably falls a victim to the merciless boatmen who shake their hands in one's face and demand "la tariffa," which never fails to exceed the fee regularly established.

Yes, the sea is a blessing to the Italians, open to all and appreciated as well by poor as by rich. Indeed one finds himself wondering what would become of the lower classes, the Neapolitans for instance, if it were not for the wise provision of nature. They are said to be constitutionally opposed to the use of water in winter on the grounds that it means certain death by cold, but in summer they fairly live in the summer they fairly live in the sea, and the little street urchins frolic about and dive for the pennies of the "forestieri" without even the incumbrance of a bathing costume.

So much for baths, past and present, the one frequented perhaps too much, the other of necessity too little. Now it remains for all to take up a movement already set on foot in Chicago to establish baths within the reach of all, thereby bettering the conditions of all and removing one of the chief causes of disease.—Chicago Times.

STRATEGY OF BIG REPTILES.

Making Rabbits Think Their Open Jaws an Avenue of Escape.

In addition to possessing many wonderful traits that distinguish them from the other members of the big family of snakes at the Philadelphia zoological garden the two pythons, have recently developed some new wrinkles which they must have brought over from India. While visitors to the garden were marveling at the recent luncheon the reptiles made of their skins, the pythons regained their pristine freshness and recovered from the state of lethargy into which they fall when the skin transition takes place. The reptiles were given their first hearty meal, and the manner in which they got their meal is novel, and shows that some of the customs of their native country still cling to them. A dozen rabbits were put in the large case and immediately there was a scurrying. The snakes did their part and the rabbits more than exhibited their agility. As soon as the big python got a chance he grabbed one of the animals by the nape of the neck, threw it in the air and caught it when it came down with a half hitch he had taken in his body. This performance was repeated several times and finaly when all the bones had been broken the python swallowed the rabbit, ears, legs and all. In the meantime, out of deference evidently to his companion, the small python lay quiet. He watched the rabbit, however, and his eyes sparkled like diamonds in the anticipation of the feed. Having swallowed the rabbit, the big python repeated his performance until eight of the twelve rabbits remained. He moved about lazily and tried to catch another rabbit, but the animals he had swallowed made his movements necessarily slow and finally he gave up the job and lay on the floor with part of his body concealed by the foliage. His head lay directly under a bunch of leaves, and he was evidently preparing for a coup d'etat that would net him more rabbits.

The onlookers were not disappointed, for presently the big python opened his mouth and the cavity looked for all the world like a hole in the case. One of the rabbits thought it was an avenue of escape and made a bolt headlong into the capacious maw. The jaws closed, there was a peculiar movement of the snake's body and there was one less rabbit in the cage. The smaller python fell in with the ideas of his companion at once and he, too, slid into a corner and opened his mouth. Seeing their companion had apparently made his escape and that there was another cavity open to them another of the rabbits dived into the mouth of the small snake. He had not been gorged like his big brother and he soon dispatched the rabbit and came up smiling for another go. Meantime the large snake had recovered and was prepared for another nice fat rabbit. He opened his maw and gave a vicious hiss that startled the small snake as well as the rabbits and there was additional agitation all around. The small snake had evidently been trained in this service, for he immediately began to move about the cage, gathering the rabbits in a circle made with his body. Meantime the big snake had not moved, and his mouth was as wide open as a clam's at high water. The small snake must have sulked in a fashion peculiar to his family, for the larger one closed his jaws with a snap that sounded like a pistol shot, and his forked tongue darted forth in an alarming manner, and a sharp, hissing sound started the rabbits on a steeple chase around the cage over the small snake's body.

For a minute all was quiet the small snake evidently turning the matter over in his mind and coming to the conclusion that he was not to get any more rabbits. Then he began to form a circle about the rabbits and formed a corral around them with his body. Then he raised his head above and back of the frightened rabbits and the big snake, with its face opening ready, winked his eyes in anticipation. One after the other the four rabbits were forced to jump down the big python's throat, until there was no room for more. Then and only then did a smile of joy settle over the big reptile's countenance, as he calmly closed his mouth and went off into a doze. The smaller reptile, seeing his chance at last quickly dispatched the other rabbit and he, too, went off into a corner and composed himself for a long rest.—Philadelphia Press.

—Men are more liable than women to insanity, but die sooner after becoming insane.

SONGS BY THE POETS.

When the First Frost Comes.

You can see it on the meadows that stretch out
beneath the sun,
You can hear it in the brooklets, as they ripling onward run,
You can note it in the schoolboys' eyes as they scramble into line,
And behold it in the pumpkins that are smiling on the vine.
When we're gathering in the fodder how our fingers it benumbs:
But we always like the season
When
The first
Frost
Comes.

You can see it blush to crimson the sumac down the lane,
You can view it coat prismatic tints upon the window pane,
You can note it on the tassels that are swaying in the breeze,
And watch it kalsomine the grapes that cluster in the trees;
We gather up the hickory nuts, while the pheasant loudly drums,
And vow it's mighty jolly
When
The first
Frost
Comes.
—Atlanta Constitution.

The Slave.

No man is free whate'er his case,
Tho' he be richest of his race;
Or king, and of all kings the best,
He is a slave of all the rest.
—W. Hosea Ballou

Since Baby Came.

Our home was sweet and beautiful,
The love-light shone so bright—
How could we know a baby's face
Would bring such added light?
How know so soon the little thing
So much of love would claim?
But home has been a bigger thing
Since Baby Helen come

O, yes, a childless home may be
A happy home, 'tis true.
But let a little baby come
And give its heart to you,
The rooms will so transfigured be
They will not be the same;
Our home has been a different thing
Since Baby Helen came.
—Mrs. M P A Crozier, in Housekeeper

Mary Doesn't Sing.

"What makes the men love Mary so?"
The jealous maidens cry;
"Oh, Mary doesn't sing, you know
And more—she doesn't try."
—Kansas City Journal.

An Autumn Day.

Fingers of light draw the mists away,
Scarlet and gold replace the gray,
Over the hilltops swift clouds run,
With gracious smile comes up the sun—
And the day is born.

Full shines the sun on the pleasant plain,
Murmurs the breeze o'er the ripened grain,
Crickets are chirping in merry mood,
Over the earth does the warm sky brood—
And the day is at noon.

Shadows are creeping over the grass,
The trees are mirrored in lake of glass
Faint rosy clouds float away to the east,
The sun, the king, withdraws from the feast—
And the day is done.
—Abbie H. Fairfield, in Chautauquan

Forewarned Is Forearmed.

Vague hints of autumn in the air,
And songs where reapers reap,
Green leaves with tints of gold appear—
"Buy now, while coal is cheap!"
—Atlanta Constitution.

The Old Piano.

I know an old piano,
With battered keys and marred,
Its polished case (a sad disgrace),
By careless boot-heels scarred,

A boarding house piano,
A common one for rent,
Which romping boys with hideous noise
Have banged to heart's content.

But yet this old piano
Will yield far sweeter tones
When deftly played, than can be made
On newer, costlier ones

The damage it has suffered
Has spoiled the case, you see,
But cannot harm its secret charm
Of sweetest melody.

I know a human being,
One whom outrageous fate
Has sent such grief as no relief
Can help or mitigate.

The staggering blows of sorrow
Have left their cruel trace,
And furrows deep begin to creep
Across the patient face.

But all these signs of suffering
But serve to make appear
The inward hope that still looks up
With strong assurance clear

That soul has kept its music
Through trials fierce and long
In kindly deeds to human needs
It lifts its triumph song
—Inter Ocean.

Conscience.

Whoso with easy conscience would allie,
Nor with the pangs and woes of mortals die—
Forget thyself, of others only think,
Then sweets alone in life and death shall drink.
—W Hosea Ballou

Bobbie on Autumn.

Unto the poet autumn's beautiful
With all its trembling leaves of gold and red,
But, unto me, it always is so dull,
I'm glad when it has fled.

What is the wine-like sky that lies beyond
The smoky hills at sunset's rosy gate,
When it is too warm to freeze the old mill pond
That I may go and skate?

And while it is too warm to slide and skate,
From the bright morn until the twilight dim,
It makes me sigh until I'm sore, to state
It is too cold to swim!
—R K Munkittrick, in Puck.

The City Choir.

I went to hear the city choir
The summer night was still
I heard the music mount the spire,
They sang "He'll take the pil—"

"I'm on! I'm on!" the tenor cried,
And looked into my face,
"My journey home, My journey home,"
Was bellowed by the bass.

"It is for the— It is for the—"
Shrieked the soprano shrill
I knew not why they looked at me,
And yelled "He'll take the pil—"

Then clutching wildly at my breast,
Oh, heaven! My heart stood still
"Yes, yes," I cried, "If that is best,
Ye powers! I'll take the pil—"

As I half fainting reached the door,
And saw the starry dome,
I heard them sing "When life is o'er
He'll take the pilgrim home."
—Cy Warman, in N Y Sun

Soul and Body.

The body says "I am thirsty"
The body says "I am cold."
The body says "I am weary"
And last of all "I am old."

And for its thirst there is water,
And shelter warm in the blast,
And for its ache there is slumber,
But it dies—it dies at last.

But I am a soul, please Heaven,
And though I freeze in my cage,
Or burn of a sleepless fever,
I shall live untouched of age.
—E Wetherald, in Youth's Companion.

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Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Ill.

Hugh Crea vs. Joseph O. Kretzer et al. Bill to foreclose mortgage. No. 14505, in Chancery.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered at the September term, A. D. 1893, in the above entitled cause, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will, on

Saturday, the 23d day of December, A. D. 1893,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on Wood street, in the city of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue for cash, to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, to-wit: The southwest quarter of section thirty-two (32), township seventeen (17) north, range one (1) east of the third principal meridian. Also, the south half of the southeast quarter of section thirty-five (35), township and range aforesaid. Also, seven and one-half (7½) acres, commencing five (5) chains west of the center of the northeast quarter of said section thirty-five (35); thence west three and seventy-five one-hundredths (3.75) chains; thence south twenty (20) chains; thence east three and seventy-five one-hundredths (3.75) chains; thence north twenty (20) chains to the place of beginning; the said last described tract being the seven and one-half (7½) acres set off to the said Kretzer in the partition suit of Edward C. Kretzer vs. Jemima Kretzer et al. in the circuit court of Macon County, Illinois. Also, all the undivided right, title and interest which said Joseph C. Kretzer has and owns in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section ten (10), township sixteen (16) north, range one (1) east of the 3d Principal Meridian; also, the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section eleven (11), the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section fifteen (15), the west half of the northwest quarter of section 14, twenty-three (23) acres off of the north end of the west half of the southwest quarter of section fourteen (14), five acres off of the north side of the south half of the southwest quarter of southeast quarter of section fifteen (15). All of said tracts lying in township sixteen (16) north, range one (1) east of the 3d Principal Meridian. Also ten (10) acres off of the north side of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section twenty-six (26), township 16 north, range one (1) west of the 3d Principal Meridian; three (3) acres off of the north end of the west half of the west half of the west half of the northwest quarter of section twenty three (23), township sixteen (16) north, range one (1) east of the 3d Principal Meridian. Also, ten (10) acres off of the north end of the following described piece of land, to-wit: Commencing five (5) chains east of the northwest corner of the northwest quarter of section twenty-three, town and range last aforesaid, thence east 9 75-100 chains, thence south 22 52-100 chains, thence west 9 75-100 chains, thence south 22 52-100 chains to the place of beginning. All of said land situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 29th day of November, 1893. JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

David Hutchinson, complainant's solicitor. decl6td

Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY.

In the Circuit Court January Term, A. D. 1894.

Katie E. Reisinger, Complainant, vs Milton Reisinger, Defendant—Bill for divorce, etc.

Affidavit having been filed in said court that said defendant has gone out of this state, and that after diligent inquiry his place of residence cannot be ascertained, notice is hereby given to said defendant that said complainant has filed her bill of complaint against him, the said defendant, in said cause, and that the same is now pending in said court and that summons has issued out of said court in said cause returnable into said court at the court house in Decatur in said county on the second Monday in January, A. D. 1894, at which time said defendant can appear and defend said cause if he sees fit so to do. E. McCLELLAN, Clerk of Said Court.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

To the heirs, legatees and distributees under the last will and testament of Jeremiah Harpel, M. D., deceased:

You are hereby notified that we as executors of the last will and testament of Jeremiah Harpel, M. D., deceased, have placed on file in the office of the clerk of the county court of Macon county, Illinois, our final report for the settlement of the estate of said deceased under his said last will and testament; and that, on the first Monday in January next, or soon thereafter as we may be heard, we will present our said report to the county court of said county for approval.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this fourth day of December, A. D. 1893.

OLIVIA H. HARPEL,
ALBERT BARNES,
Executors.

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RAILROAD TIME TABLES

In effect Nov. 19, 1893

WABASH.

FROM ST. LOUIS.	TO ST. LOUIS.
No 10 Pass.... 8:45 p m	No. 9 Pass.... 6:30 a m
No. 4 Pass.... 11.07 a m	No. 3 Pass.... 3 45 a m
No 44 Pass.... 11:25 a m	No. 43 Pass.... 4:05 a m
No. 62 Pass 10:10 p m	No. 45 Pass.... 4:20 p m
No 2 Pass. 12 15 a m	No 5 Pass.... 8:20 p m
FROM QUINCY AND KANSAS CITY.	**TO QUINCY AND KANSAS CITY.**
No. 42 Pass.... 10:05 p m	No. 40 Pass... 4:30 a m
No. 44 Pass.... 11:05 a m	No. 48 Pass... 4 07 p m
No 6 Pass... 6:15 a m	No. 1 Pass... 9:37 p m
No. 46 Acc.... 7:05 p m	No. 47 Acc.... 6:45 a m
No. 70. Freight 11:05 a m	No. 71. Freight 11:05 a m
FROM TOLEDO & DETROIT.	**TO TOLEDO & DETROIT**
No. 43 Pass... 3:50 a m	No. 46 Pass... 6:25 a m
No. 45 Pass.. 4 00 p m	No. 44 Pass... 11.45 a m
No. 41 Pass . 9:00 p m	No. 42 Pass... 10:15 p m
No. 47 Pass from Bement 10.30 a m	No. 48 Pass to Bement. 5.15 p m
FROM CHICAGO.	**TO CHICAGO.**
No. 3 Pass..... 3 30 a m	No. 2 Pass ... 12:50 a m
No. 5 Pass.. 3:15 p m	No. 4 Pass.... 12 02 p m
No. 1 Pass, except Sunday 8:50 p m	No. 6 Pass, except Sunday 6:25 a m

ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
Diamond Specialy, daily . . . . . 1.52 a m	Diamond Special, daily . . . . . 2.42 a m
No. 122 pass. ex. Sunday..... 9:40 a m	No. 121 pass. ex. Sunday.... 10.35 a. m.
No 194 freight, ex Sunday.... . 2:00 p. m	No. 193 freight, ex. Sunday..... 10.30 a.m.
No 102 pass ex Sunday... . 9 00 p. m	No. 103 pass. ex. Sunday..... 5:35 p.m.
No. 702 (Champaign Line) leaves, ex Sunday ... ... 3:15 p. m	No. 701 (Champaign Line) arrives, ex. Sunday.. 10:15 a.m.

INDIANAPOLIS, DECATUR & WESTERN.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass.. 2:35 p m	No. 2 Pass.... 11:15 a m
No. 3 Pass. . 3.55 a m	No. 4 Pass. 10:20 p m
No. 7 Freight 9:00 a m	No. 8 Freight. 6:20 a m
No. 9 Freight 8:00 p m	No. 10 Freight. 4 20 p m

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE.

NORTH	SOUTH.
No 2 Pass. 2 55 p m	No. 1 Pass... 11:55 a m
No 4 Pass... 6.55 a m	No. 3 Pass... 10:15 p m
No. 30 Pass, Sunday only.....7:50 a m	No. 31 Pass, Sunday only.....9:00 p m
No 14 Freight 10:05 a m	No. 11 Freight 2:00 p m

VANDALIA LINE.

ARRIVE.	
From Terre Haute.....	11:45 a m — 7:30 p m
From Peoria..	2:50 p m — 7:15 p m
LEAVE.	
For Peoria.	11.30 a m — 7:15 a m
For Terre Haute.	7:00 a m — 3:00 p m

ENGLAND'S PARCEL POST.

A System That Has Grown with Amazing Rapidity.

What Was an Unknown Convenience Ten Years Ago Is Now an Almost Indispensable Adjunct to Daily Life.

The act authorizing the parcel post was passed in 1882. But it may well be imagined that time was necessary to mount an entirely new postal service without disorganizing the ordinary mails, and it was not until August 1, 1883, that the post was actually placed at the disposal of the public, says the London Times.

May 1, 1886, a new scale of weights and charges was issued. The scale, which still obtains, ascended by single instead of double pounds, and thus represented a charge of 3d for the first pound and 1½d for each succeeding pound. At the same time the maximum weight was raised to eleven pounds, a parcel of that weight being carried for 18d. Compensation was promised for the loss or damage of any parcel in the post up to the sum of £1, while further sums of £5 and £10 might be secured by the payment of 1 penny and 2d respectively.

The original scale of weights and charges was for a parcel not exceeding one pound, 3d; up to three pounds, 5d; up to five pounds, 9d, and up to seven pounds, 1s. At seven pounds the post stopped. The maximum dimensions allowed were three and one-half feet in length and six feet in length and girth combined, and these dimensions have been found throughout to be sufficient to meet the public demand.

The effect of these changes at once became visible. From June, 1886, onwards, the number of parcels increased by more than twenty per cent. over the number for the corresponding months of the previous year, and the total number of parcels carried in the year 1886 rose to 31,000,000. In the meantime parcel posts had been established with many colonies and foreign states. The admirably managed post office of India and the post office of Egypt (organized by the country) were the first to respond to the invitation of the postmaster general, and the interchange of parcels with India, Burmah, Aden and Egypt commenced July 1, 1885.

At the end of another six months Germany and Belgium, forerunners of this country in parcel post enterprise, had entered in similar relations, and from the commencement of 1886 the work of connecting this country with the rest of the world for the purpose of interchanging parcels by post proceeded apace.

The next change of importance took place June 1, 1891, when the system of registration was for the first time extended to inland parcels, together with compensation on a liberal scale. For the ordinary registration, a fee of 2d, compensation up to £5 was promised, while for every additional 1d another £5 could be secured up to a maximum of £25. At the same time the compensation payable on an unregistered parcel was raised from £1 to £2. Finally, December 1 last, a scale of payment rising to £50 (which had previously been applied to the post to India and the West Indies) was adopted; and it is now possible to obtain compensation up to that amount by payment of the registration fee of 2d and additional fee of 9d, or 11d in all. It is not surprising that under the influence of these improvements the number of parcels sent per head of the population has more than doubled since the post was instituted.

So completely has the parcel post now become an adjunct of daily life that it is almost difficult to realize that ten years ago anyone wishing to send a parcel, even between two centers of population, had no certainty when it would be dispatched, when it would be delivered, and how much he would have to pay; while rural districts were, for such purposes, practically out of reach.

CASHMERE SHAWLS.

Made by Men—Four Months to Do Seven Inches.

One day we went to town to visit a manufactory of Cashmere shawls, says a writer in the Cornhill Magazine. After a terribly unattractive approach, we again clambered up some stairs and emerged into a large room full of looms, with about forty men all hard at work. One we especially watched. He had in front of him nearly a thousand shuttles of different shades, and out of these he would select one and thread it through as many of the fine strands stretched tightly before him as his pattern directed, and after so doing he pulled toward him a heavy bar which pushed the last little thread quite tight, before putting in the next.

In old days one man used to read out the pattern to all the rest, but now each has his own design on a slip of paper in front of him. It is said that the wavy line, so often seen in these shawls, was originally taken from the curves of the Jhelum. It took four months, we are told, for four men to do seven inches of this work, one yard wide, working from five in the morning till five in the evening every day, so it was hardly to be wondered at that two yards should cost nearly one hundred pounds.

As we left the workroom, so glad to exchange its heated atmosphere for a cooler breath of air, it was impossible to check the obvious thought of the contrast such lives are to our own. We mingled with the gayly dressed crowd gathered to see a polo tournament, and our thoughts strayed back to that stifling room, with its ceaseless monotony and perpetual grind, where men, more like machines, wove hour after hour varying hues of color into one harmonious whole. And yet the old simile would also assert itself, that we too, in one sense, are hour by hour working tiny threads that go to make up the pattern and color of our lives. The whole design, however, does not lie open before us, but is mercifully withheld by an all-wise master hand.

THE BURGLAR'S TOOLS.

How the Nefarious Workers of the Night Obtain Their Tools.

Every little while, says the Boston Daily Globe, the police arrest a man with a kit of burglars' tools in his possession, and one naturally wonders where they all come from. It is easy to buy a gun of any description, and the most reputable citizen would not be ashamed to be seen purchasing the most wicked looking knife ever made; but who would know where to get a slungshot, or a jimmie, or a device for drilling into a safe, or any of the many tools used by the professional burglar in the pursuit of his calling? There probably are places in many large cities where these things are made and sold to the users, but such places are scarce. Once in awhile the police find such a factory, and then things go hard for the proprietors. It may seem a little strange to learn that most of the tools used in burglaries are made by mechanics who are respectable men in the community.

When a burglar wants any particular tool made he goes to a mechanic who can do the job, and pays him perhaps five times what it is actually worth for making the tool and keeping still about it. Superintendent Elbridge of the police department recalls many cases of this kind that have come to light in Boston. One in particular occurred three years ago, when an escaped convict named Williams went to a blacksmith in Roxbury and got him to make a lot of drills to be used in safe cracking. He personally superintended the tempering of the steel, and when the job was nearly completed it leaked out and Williams was arrested. In this instance, the blacksmith knew nothing of the use to which the tools were to be put, and escaped punishment. In the opinion of Superintendent Elbridge most of the tools used by burglars are secured in this way. The only regular establishment where they were made ever discovered in Boston was at the West End. This was years ago, and the place was soon broken up.

EFFECT OF AIR ON COAL.

Facts Concerning the Ventilation of Large Quantities.

A thorough and scientific examination made by an English chemist on the effect of air and ventilation on coal gives the following results: 1. The danger of spontaneous firing of coal in large lumps is very slight, but is much greater with smaller coal and still greater with dust, the increase of danger being due to the larger extent of surface exposed to the air in proportion to the mass of coal. 2. Air-dried coal which contains more than three per cent. of moisture is dangerous, but if it contains less the danger diminishes, the moisture contained being a measure of the absorbent power of the coal for air, and the more absorbent the coal the more dangerous. 3. The danger is somewhat increased by the presence of pyrites in large quantity. 4. Newly-won coal should be shielded from the air as much as possible to prevent the chance of rapid heating, and for the same reason it is best not to stack it in large heaps, since these retain the heat. 5. All external sources of heat, such as steam pipes, boilers and hot flues in the neighborhood of the coal, add very greatly to the risk, spontaneous heating becoming vastly more rapid when it is assisted from without. Of course, these conclusions have special relation to coal that is stored or shipped in cargoes.

THREE BILLS.

Alarming Deductions Taken from New York's Recent Statistics.

Every person's character must be revealed by the bills he contracts, not by the bills he pays, for he does not always personally contract the bills he pays nor pay the bills he contracts. A glance at any man's actual and personal bills must surely reveal the sort of a man that he is.

Let us hope, says the Youth's Companion, that this is not true of nations, states or cities. If we were, as a people, to be judged by the comparison of our drink and gambling bills with our bills for schools and churches how hopeless our national character must appear.

It is not probable that the city of New York is in this respect worse than other American cities, but the figures recently published recording the expenditure of that city in the year 1893 for schools, amusements and drinks are alarming as well as instructive.

The city's public school bill for the year named, representing the larger part of the expenditure for education, was four million dollars. Its amusement bill—the sum which it paid for its theaters, circuses and other public shows—was seven million dollars. And its drink bill was sixty million dollars!

It is needless to make any comment upon these figures. The proportion holds good, or nearly good, of the whole country. What is wasted upon drink and lost in speculation and other forms of gambling would vastly more than double the salaries of all the teachers and preachers in the United States.

The Potato Centuries Ago.

It has been proved beyond a doubt that at the time of the discovery of America the cultivation of the potato was practiced with every appearance of ancient usage in the temperate regions from Chili to New Grenada at altitudes varying with the latitude. The name of the discoverer of the potato is unknown, but Du Candolle sums up the history of its discovery as follows: "The potato is wild in Chili in a form which is still seen in our cultivated plants; it is doubtful whether its natural home extends to Peru and New Granada; its cultivation was diffused before the discovery of America and it was introduced in the latter half of the sixteenth century into that part of the United States now known as Virginia and North Carolina, and the potato was imported into Europe first by the Spaniards and afterward by the English at the time of Raleigh's voyage to England."

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OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.

Dr. Hoskins, Dentist.

The dental firm of Hoskins & Moore having dissolved partnership by mutual consent, I will alone open a new office, January first, ground floor, in the building now being erected for me in Opera House Block.. Parties wishing to see me professionally prior to that time can call at 629 Prairie avenue.

nov24-d&wtf THOS. S. HOSKINS.

WM. R. SMITH, who for many years has been the superintendent of the Botanical Gardens in Washington, has, it is said, personally directed the planting of more than 6,000,000 trees in different parts of the United States.

It's just as easy to try One Minute Cough Cure as anything else. It's easier to cure a severe cold or cough with it. Let your next purchase for a cough be One Minute Cough Cure. Better medicine, better result; better try it. C. H. Dawson.

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Nov13-d&wtm

BARGAIN COLUMN

For Sale, For Rent, Wanted, Etc.

[Notices in this column, of five lines or less, will be inserted one week for 25 cents, payable in advance.]

PHYSICAL CULTURE—Classes in Physical Culture meet at Prof. Leonard's Dancing Academy Saturday afternoon at 1:30. Terms, $1 per month. Dancing lessons 3 p. m. Terms for juvenile class, $2 per month for dancing and physical culture lessons combined. 8-d1w

SITUATION WANTED—By middle-aged widow as housekeeper for aged couple or widower's family, or would take charge of linen department in hotel. References exchanged. Address Republican office. 8d6*

GRAND SHOOTING MATCH, In the Powers pasture, west of the St. Louis bridge, Wednesday, Dec. 13th. Trap and still target shooting for turkeys, geese and ducks. All are cordially invited. Shooting to commence at nine o'clock sharp. 8d6*

FOR RENT—Two desirable lodging rooms in Grand Opera House Block, en suite or single; steam heat. Apply to O. POWERS, Room 1, Opera Block. 7-d6*

WANTED.—Ten first class carpenters at Nelson Morris & Co.'s building, on North Water street. 7d6

SEE the $25.00, $26.00 and $27.00 business suits, $5.00 pants, and overcoats from $22.00 up, at the Decatur Tailoring Co., 337 N. Water street. FRANK B. EASTERLEY, proprietor, P. LANG, manager. 7-d6*

NOTICE.—N. Bommersbach has opened an up-town office at J. B. Bullard's undertaking parlors, 242 N. Main St. Orders left at above address for all kinds of floral forms will be filled at short notice. A supply of cut flowers always on hand. The best flowers, in greatest variety, at lowest prices. de.6 '93-d1yr

AT CUT PRICES.—Furniture makes the most useful Christmas present. Come and look at my new stock of goods, which I will sell at the lowest prices possible. I am determined to close out the stock. I can and will save you money. Haworth Block, north side New Square. JOHN A. BROWN. 5d&w3w.

WANTED—100 healthy chicks from one to ten days old. State price. Call or address 404 West Cerro Gordo street. S. W. STRAUGH. 6-d6*

STORAGE—Regular storage house for all kinds of merchandise, household goods, stoves, &c. Goods transferred to and from the house. Goods packed. Loans made. Brick building. Office and warerooms 629 East Mason street. Telephone 282. C. C. HARPSTRITE. jan--dtf

FOR SALE—On monthly payments—a house and lot in the northwest part of the city. Terms, $10 cash and $10 per month till paid for. Apply to W. Z. WALMSLEY, real estate agent, over Cheap Charley's. nov29-dtf

NOTICE.—Subscribe now for the 17th Series of the capital stock of the Loan and Homestead Association. Annual meeting, Dec. 9th, 1893, 7:30 p. m., No 228 N. Water St. A. D RISLEY, Secretary. 28d2w

AGENTS make $5 a day. Greatest kitchen utensils ever invented. Retails 35 cents. Two to six sold in every house. Sample, postage paid, five cents. McMAKIN & CO., Cincinnati, Ohio. nov20-d1mo

FOR SALE—On easy payments, some work horses very cheap. A good horse for $10. Apply to E. B. Dimock, 145 North Water street, over Abel's Carpet store, Decatur, Ill. nov13-tf

FOR RENT—A house of five rooms, good well and cistern. Heated by furnace. Corner West Main and Haworth Avenue. Inquire of O. J. ZIMMERMAN, 125 East William street. oct6-tf

REAL ESTATE BARGAINS.—I have several small farms to trade for small city properties—

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Four-room house and lot in block 1200 North Church, $1600, a snap. Also some high, dry lots on N. Church and Union streets. The owner wants a little money, balance on easy terms. Investigate this call soon.

P. H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 249 N. Main St.

Oct 22--dtf

FOR SALE—Lot 100x410 feet, situated on West Main street. Good shade trees, good well and barn. Will be sold at a bargain and on good terms if taken soon. For further information call at the office of JESSE LEFORGEE & SON. aug30-dtf

R. O. Rosen, Architect and Builder. Office, in Rooms 18 and 19, in Fenton Block, third floor, over Bradley Bros.

MONEY TO LOAN—Real Estate Conveyancing. Apply to WALTER & WALTER, Room 3, Ullrich Block, over the National Bank of Decatur. nov1-dtf

CHICAGO SECOND HAND STORE — All kinds of Oak Stoves at half price. All kinds of Cook Stoves at bargains. Parlor stoves from $3 up; chairs 25c; beds, wardrobes, lounges, parlor suits, bedroom suits. All goods at rock bottom prices, and everything bound to sell. LUDWIG SCHRUBMANN, Manager. East Main St opposite Bachman Bros. 824tf

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WANTED—Second-hand stoves and furniture, for which we will pay cash. Bargains in second-hand goods. WALKER & CHANCE. 249 East Main St. aug23-dtf

WANTED—You to know that the Decatur Nursery can furnish anything that soil and care will produce in the nature of shrubs, trees, (including California poplar), bulbs and flowers as good as can be had anywhere. Come and see and you will buy at home. W. H. TINCHER. july1-tf

FARM FOR SALE.—The well-known Patterson farm of 520 acres in South Wheatland township, Macon county, 2¼ miles from Elwin, 3¼ miles from Macon and 6½ miles from Decatur. The farm is as fertile as, and has less waste land, than any farm of equal size in Central Illinois. For particulars address CHAS. H. PATTERSON, Elwin, Ill.—sep22 d&wtf

Assignee's Notice.

Estate of George H. Conklin and Charles P. Housum, doing business as Conklin & Housum—Debtor.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that George H. Conklin and Charles P. Housum, doing business as Conklin & Housum, of the city of Decatur, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, did, on the 28th day of November, A. D. 1893, transfer to the undersigned, as assignee, all their property, real and personal, for the benefit of their creditors, according to the provisions of the act concerning assignments.

All persons having claims against the said Conklin & Housum are hereby notified to present such claims, under oath or affirmation, to me, at the city of Decatur, in said county, within three months from this date.

W. C. PLUCK, Assignee.

Dated Dec. 6 1893.—d6w

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Sarah A. Simms, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the last will and testament of Sarah A. Simms, late of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term 1894, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1893.

JOSIAH M. CLOKEY, Executor, &c.

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Assignee's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that as assignee of the Decatur Implement Company, I will receive bids for the building located on leased ground, situate on West Franklin street, north of William street, and now occupied by the said Decatur Implement Company. Lease on the ground runs nine years from December first.

TERMS—Cash in hand, the right reserved to reject any or all such bids.

No bids will be received after December 10th, 1893.

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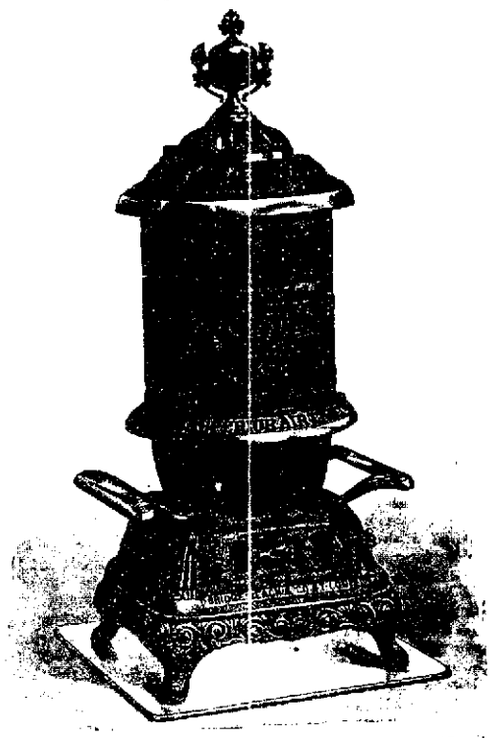

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of R. L. Walston and against H. M. Funk, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot four (4) in block nine (9) of original town now city of Maroa, Macon county, Illinois, taken as the property of the said H. M. Funk, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house, in Macon county, in said state, on the 23d day of December, A. D. 1893, at 2 o. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 2d day of December, A. D. 1893.

PETER PEEL, Sheriff Macon Co., Ill.

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Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
COUNTY OF MACON. }

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1894

Lula Nichols vs. Frank Nichols—Divorce.

Notice is hereby given to you, the said Frank Nichols, defendant that the above named complainant heretofore filed her bill of complaint against you in said court, on the chancery side thereof, and an affidavit of your non-residence in this state; whereupon the process of summons herein was issued for you, returnable into said court on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1894, to be held at said time in the circuit court room in the city of Decatur, in said county. Now, unless you shall, at said time and place, plead, answer or demur to said bill, the matters therein alleged will be taken as confessed by you and a decree entered against you as prayed.

November 29, 1893.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk of Said Court.

J. M. GRAY, Solicitor for Complainant.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two executions to me directed and delivered by the Clerk of the Circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, one in favor of George A. Pollard, and one in favor of Mrs. T. Baird, and against C. S. Christian, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lots 6, 7 and 15, Block 37, in Railroad Addition to the the town of Macon, Macon county, Illinois, taken as property of the said C. S. Christian, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Macon county in said State, on the 23d day of December, A. D. 1893, at 2 p. m., of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 27th day of November, A. D. 1893.

PETER PEEL, Sheriff Macon County, Illinois.

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